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## FANNIE'S FLIRTATION

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A CONTINUED STORY IN TEN CHAPTERS

### CHAPTER I.

#### WHICH TREATS OF THE STAGE COACH.

 OCTOBER was reigning right royally, his "cohorts all gleaming in purple and gold," and the woods were afire with beauty. Such dashes of scarlet, and gold, and russet, and nearly all the colors of the rainbow, with glimpses of cloudless blue between the trees—such delicious, perfumed odors from the dying leaves that crackled at every foot-step—such a delightful feeling of invigoration, and strong desire to be doing *something*, either work or mischief—belong only to the golden month, the crowning beauty of the whole year.

Blessed are those who can spend October in the country; and yet on this very glowing day, this pearl from a string that is all too short, an old stage-coach was rumbling past the crimson-fringed woods, taking passengers to the cars bound for the bustling city. The stage had started from a primitive village in one of the New England States, and had stopped first at a neat, white house, with green blinds, where Miss Gedge, a personage much respected in the village, as the daughter of the former rector, received a few young ladies to board and educate. The young lady who was escorted to the stage, at a very chilly hour for an October morning, by her sorrowing school-mates, seemed tender-hearted and tearful—her nose and eyes being considerably flushed in consequence.

Miss Gedge having bestowed a dignified embrace upon the traveler, remained standing upon the piazza, tightly wrapped in a shawl, with a decidedly blue tint upon her visage, and her hair drawn into a very small knot behind—the braid which added volume to it later in the day lying undisturbed in its casket on the dressing-table. Miss Gedge was thin and forty; so she must be excused for retreating, somewhat precipitately, the moment the stage started, to seek the warm shelter of the breakfast-room fire; while the pupils waved handkerchiefs, and kissed their hands to their late companion long after she was capable of appreciating these delicate attentions.

The stage-coach soon drew up at a little house, with a white-washed fence, and roses of Sharon on each side; and on the stoop (for there was no piazza) were gathered a careworn woman with a baby in her arms and two or three more at her skirts—a brawny man in shirt-sleeves—and an old lady evidently the heroine of the occasion who was just the kind of old lady that one would expect to find amid such surroundings. A good-sized bag of very thin straw-like material that bulged out unevenly in all directions was tightly clasped in her hands; and a large two-covered basket stood by the gate. The small children worked themselves up to the proper pitch of excitement as the stage came in sight; and the old lady was fussy and undecided.

"Take care of yourself, ma," said the careworn woman with a farewell kiss "and give my love to Hannah."

"I will," responded the old lady, as though she were answering the question: "Wilt thou have this man?" etc., and then hastily kissing everybody in the wrong place, she clambered into the vehicle sideways, with the aid of the man in shirt-sleeves,

and rolled rather unexpectedly upon the solitary occupant—who had drawn her green veil over her face, and resigned herself to the luxury of tears and silence.

"Gracious!" said the old lady, with a long breath, as though somebody had rolled on *her*, "What does possess 'em to make such high steps, I wonder? Good-by, Sally—good-by, Sam—I hope the buckwheat 'll turn out nice. You're one of Miss Gedge's scholars, ain't you, Miss?"

The green veil was put aside in deference to the old lady's age, and disclosed a very attractive face in spite of the recent tears. There was no regular beauty there—it seemed to be made up of dimples, and smiles, and blushes; but, somehow or other, it was irresistible. It was so evidently a face not accustomed to be stared at or commented upon, that the look of perfect freshness was delicious; and in powers of captivating, it spared neither age, sex, nor condition. But its owner was quite unconscious of all this, and herein lay half the charm.

"What, in the name of goodness, are we stoppin' for now, I wonder?" grumbled the ancient lady, who, now that she had comfortably established herself, considered that the stage had done its legal amount of stopping. "At the tavern, too, I declare!"

The usual amount of two-legged animals, who seem to live on the piazza of country taverns, were visible now; and the bashful school-girl interposed the screen of green baize between their unwelcome stare and the face that reminded one of the trailing arbutus. "Surely, one of these horrid loafers was not coming into the stage! What *should* she do? They all looked so dirty and unpleasant!" But no, they step rather hastily aside—being impelled to this movement by the very decided bearing of the gentleman who emerged from the door, and who, if the crowd had not made room for him, would probably have walked *through* them. People always give way to such characters, half provoked at themselves, all the time, for doing it—but they do it under the impression that the individual in question is first cousin to the Shah of Persia, or some other individual of deeds and not of words, who thinks less of striking a man's head off than some people would of cuffing his ears. No, the Shah himself could have walked more *equally* than did the gentleman who, with a handsome fishing-

rod in his hand, climbed up to the top of the battered-looking vehicle, that soon resumed its dignified pace of two miles an hour.

"I'm glad he didn't come in," said the old lady, with a sigh of relief, "like as not, he'd smoke, or do somethin' he oughtn't to;" while the young lady, who had caught a glimpse of very bright eyes, and a dark moustache, under a traveling "wide-awake," had rather a desire to explore farther. For Miss Gedge's views on the subject of "gentlemen" were decidedly unfavorable to members of that persuasion; and the village of Ridgeway afforded few opportunities of enlarging one's ideas in this respect.

The school-girl thought of Nett Flyde, her roommate and particular friend, whose handkerchief was the last she had seen in motion on that eventful morning; and wondered what she would say to this specimen of the *genus homo*. For Nett was a young person of experience and critical taste in such matters; an old-fashioned little body, who had come from a neighboring farm with a funny-looking, blue-painted bedstead, a feather-bed, and a checked, home-spun counterpane—which primitive stock of goods and chattels served to give her the feeling of a landed proprietor. Nett had, besides, an inexhaustible box of home-made cake, and a wonderful night-cap.

This night-cap was the amusement of the school—being gotten up with a total disregard to the hemming of ruffles—until the young lady's very decided individuality came to be understood, and made both her self and her night-cap respected. Country people are very apt to expend their surplus energies upon night-caps, and are rather shocked at the city fashion of letting the hair fly; but the first glimpse of Miss Flyde's shrewd little face, peeping out from a perfect wilderness of muslin ruffles, bore so strong a resemblance to that flower with the dreadful name of "Devil-in-the-Bush," that, were it not for a wholesome horror of profanity, the *soubriquet* would have been at once bestowed upon her.

Fanny Nettleton, in the stage-coach, was now smiling to herself at the recollection of Nett's first appearance in this formidable head-gear; and then she remembered how many delightful *teles-a-teles* they had enjoyed when, while Miss Gedge innocently supposed that they had "settled their brains for a long winter's nap," they crouched beside the "drum" that softened the winter temperature; and Fanny's risibles were somewhat severely tasked while Nett held forth on the merits and attractions of a certain "Frederick Augustus, with gray eyes"—which sober-colored orbs were then employed in digging up the dead languages in a distant college; and the ruffles on the queer cap nodded an accompaniment to every statement.

Fanny had never met a "Frederick Augustus"—she was not at all a "missish" young lady, but a charming, unsophisticated, seventeen-years-old child of nature; and these revelations of her school-fellow's affected her very much as fairy tales had done in her younger days. She forgot the stage-coach, and the old lady, and the young gentleman; although he was the link that had carried her back to these pleasant memories, and a great many more that floated rapidly through her mind, as she sat in a corner of the back seat—the capacious old lady,

## THE WOODLAND

BY VERNER R. WOOSTER

I know of a place where in springtime wild-flowers,  
Sheltered by boughs of maple and beech,  
Peep through the leaves at the touch of warm showers  
A won'-rful lesson of nature to teach.

Throughout the dear woodland their bright bloom is  
showing;  
They carpet the mound and smile from the trail,  
And to all in whose hearts love of nature is glowing,  
They whisper a fond and beautiful tale.

I can tell of a nook by forests protected,  
Where cardinal flowers in radiance glow,  
And there 'mong the brush, by mankind neglected,  
The largest and sweetest of blackberries grow.

A song-bird sits perched on a swinging wild grapevine,  
The strains of its melody float on the air;  
A butterfly lazily drifts through the sunshine,  
And the little brown honey bee often is there.

I can go to the trees where nuts hang in profusion,  
Where the chattering squels angrily scold,  
To plainly announce they resent our intrusion  
Into the midst of their forest stronghold.

To form nature's carpet the dry leaves are falling;  
Gather the birds for their migrating flight;  
Softly the autumn winds to us are calling,  
Telling of joys to which woodlands invite.

I have been in the woods when the deep snow was lying  
Over the ferns and the beautiful moss;  
When the trees were all naked and seemed to be sighing  
At the touch of the wind and the thought of their loss.

Yet there is beauty, though all may seem dreary;  
Tall tree stumps are sentinels crested with snow,  
And the dark evergreens still look most cherry,  
Though with a white mantle their branches bend low.



with her multitudinous wrappings, and bulging-out bag, having fairly driven her to the wall.

She was aroused from her dreams by finding a doughnut, large, greasy, and indigestible—looking, in most unexpected proximity, to her face; and when she "respectfully declined" the proffered refreshment, the old lady muttered, "Should hev' thought the air would hev' given ye an appetite—'spose you're used, though, to livin' on slate-pencils and sich like."

"Oh, no!" said the young lady, pleasantly, "I am not at all fond of slate-pencils, but I do not feel hungry—I thank you."

When the old lady had finished her doughnut, she put her head out of the window, and screamed to the driver: "Now, Hiram, look sharp! We're jest comin' to Squire Jones' hill—mind you don't pass the house *this* time."

Hiram minded; and the old lady was soon deposited, doughnuts and all, at the terminus of her journey. The dreamy school-girl was not sorry to be relieved from her voluble companion; and, being now comfortably in possession of her rightful share of the back seat, she began to enjoy the journey.

The vehicle soon turned into the woods; and the delicious, scented air woke her from her dreams, and sent her curls fluttering into her eyes. It was happiness, ecstasy, that ride through the autumn woods; and Miss Fanny had fairly forgotten the existence of the gentleman on top of the stage, when it was suddenly brought to her remembrance in a most unexpected manner.

Hiram's attention being somewhat abstracted from his mettlesome steeds, instead of improving the opportunity to run away, like well-conditioned horses, they stupidly rushed over a great, sprawling tree that lay at the side of the road, upsetting the stage, and apparently banging it to pieces.

When the gentleman of the fishing-rod had sufficiently recovered from his surprise to "comprehend the situation," he found himself deposited on a heap of leaves, with a young lady in his arms—said young lady having done her duty, under the circumstances, and fainted away.

## CHAPTER II.

### THE WOODLAND WILD.

"I hope you are not hurt?"

"No—no, I believe not," replied the damsel, hesitatingly, feeling rather injured, on the whole, that no bones were broken, not even an ankle sprained. "But I am afraid," with a very beautifying blush, "that I have crushed you by falling on you—I am very sorry."

A smile gleamed out from the dark moustache. "I believe that people are most seriously injured when they do not feel it; but I cannot help imagining that, were I in the condition you represent, I should not be able to stand quite so firmly. I am very glad that I prevented you, perhaps, from falling on something harder."

At this stage of the conversation, both became rather at a loss for something to say—that is, something that should appear to the other to be just the proper observation to fit into that particular place; and, of course, the more they thought about it, the more fastidious they became, and an awkward silence ensued—until they fortunately remembered the shattered vehicle and its driver.

The tableau that presented itself, on turning to look at these articles, was quite striking. The coachman, with a battered hat, and surprised expression of countenance was briskly rubbing his left knee, and anathematizing the horses—who, evidently satisfied with what they had done, stood quietly before the stage, as though they had been sowing a few wild oats that *must* be planted then and there.

"Ain't you a pretty couple?" soliloquized Hiram, the animals meanwhile hanging their heads quite consciously. "A nice little rumpus you've kicked up, to be sure! At your time of life, too—sixteen years old, if you are a day. Great old girls *you* are!"

At this allusion to their age, the ancient mares seemed to bridle up in a manner that was quite human; and the two passengers could no longer restrain their merriment at the driver's tirade.

"Guess you ain't much hurt," said he, regarding his knee rather ruefully, "which is a good thing on the hull—for you'll hev' to be Babes in the Wood for quite a spell, for all that I see to the contrary."

"Oh!" exclaimed Fanny, in dismay, "won't we be in time then for the cars?"

"Depends altogether on how fast you ken walk," was the encouraging reply. "Shouldn't expect, though, that a young gal of your build could make out ten miles in two hours."

"What shall I do?" she continued, in perfect despair, "I *must* get home before night!"

The stranger politely doffed his "wide-awake," which he seemed to have restored to its place for that express purpose, and assured Miss Fanny with all the chivalric deference of a medieval knight that her welfare and comfort would be with him matters of the first consideration as long as he enjoyed the honor of her society; that he could pledge his word as to the certainty of her reaching New York before evening as there was a later train than before evening, as there was a later train than that they were to have taken; and that, on the whole, he was convinced, if not from actual experience, at least from hearsay, that there were greater hardships in the world than a few hours' delay in the autumn woods.

The young lady's face brightened; and, in spite of personal damages sustained in the fall, she was a very pleasant object to look upon. For it is only heroines in novels who emerge from such accidents with a perfectly fresh and unruffled exterior; and, if the truth must be told, the pretty school-girl's face was not quite free from contact with Mother Earth, her bonnet was bent quite out of the pale of dignified propriety, and her veil had slipped from her bonnet to her neck, and was now floating down her back. But greatest trial of all her hoops were mashed quite flat; and she looked fully qualified to preach an edifying discourse on female vanity.

In spite of these disadvantages, however, her fellow-sufferer said to her very plainly, though without speaking at all, "I think you are charming"—and Miss Fanny, who understood the dialect in which this was uttered, appreciated it accordingly.

"Allow me," said the gentleman, in a benevolent, elderly manner, (he might have been twenty-five,) "to speak to you as a father would, and advise you to

astically, "there is some of it, now, just over our heads; you know what creamy blossoms *that* has? Chestnuts, I declare!" and she was off again.

The nutting was so productive that it was put to the vote, and carried unanimously, to dine upon the proceeds; and, Miss Fanny being comfortably established on the gentleman's traveling-shawl, they had quite a primitive and cheerful little meal. Of course, they had been ignorant of each other's existence until that very morning, but they were introduced by a master of ceremonies who sets all stiffness at defiance; for it is utterly impossible for two people who have had a sociable tumble from a crazy stage-coach, and been turned out to pasture together, like a couple of innocent quadrupeds, to keep within the magic circle of conventionality. Such an acquaintance must progress more rapidly than an ordinary one; and people say and do things, at such times, that they would not say and do at other times.

"I do not know what to call you," said Fanny, in some embarrassment.

"My name is Norval," was the reply.

"On the Grampian Hills?" said she, archly. "I remember once hearing a boy at school 'speak a piece,' and he said, 'My name is Norval on the Grampian Hills,' in such a way that I thought he had a different name for other places."

"But my name is really Norval," said the gentleman, with a smile.

"Is it?" exclaimed Fanny, "I am so glad—I like a handsome name. Mine is Fanny, Fanny Nettleton."

"Fanny?" repeated Mr. Norval, reflectively; "it seems as if any one with that name must be a flirt!"

"What is a flirt?" she inquired, in utter ignorance of that beautifully striped and spotted tiger.

"Pray God you may never know from experience," was the sad reply, as the memory of one who took from him his youth, and almost his belief in human-ity, darted, like a flame, across the present.

Fanny felt it incumbent on her to cheer up the youthful Methusalem; and she told him all about Miss Gedge, and their uneventful school life, until he felt inclined to envy the safety and freedom from temptation with which girls seem hedged about from babyhood.

That part of the wood was beautifully open, consisting of hills and dales sprinkled with the thickly-falling leaves—and utterly silent, except for the voice of birds and the rush of the autumn wind.

Fanny ran up and down the hills with the elastic grace of a child of the forest; and Mr. Norval, who had not of late been used to this sort of exercise, followed her footsteps as well as he was able. Once she murmured, as if to herself:

"And o'er the hills, and far away  
Beyond their utmost purple rim,  
Beyond the night, across the day,  
Through all the world she followed him."

"You like Tennyson, then?" inquired her companion.

"No," replied Fanny, warmly, "I don't 'like' him—that is so tame! I think that 'Sleeping Palace' is one of the most exquisite things I ever read. But, Mr. Norval, *do* you know the 'Vision of Sir Launfal'?" That is not Tennyson's, you know, but Lowell's—I learned the whole poem last June."

Would she repeat it for him? This was just the place; and he only remembered enough of it to know that it was a perfect gem.

"No," said she, smiling, "this is 'just the place for 'Evangeline'—"

"This is the forest primeval; and June is the proper time for 'Sir Launfal'—but I will repeat it for you, if you really wish it."

Her auditor was more amused than he cared to express by her perfect frankness and freedom from coquetry; but that sweet young voice, freighted with the treasures of Lowell's *chef d'oeuvre*, was a treat that did not come to a man every day, and he lost not a word or an echo. When the sound of the last line had died away, leaving a glittering tear in those soft eyes, the "wide-awake" was doffed again in grateful acknowledgment; and Fanny was quite overwhelmed by the amount of pleasure she had unconsciously conferred.

"Now," said Mr. Norval, who seemed to be endowed with a great deal of practical good sense, "as the sum of our present intentions is to get to New York, and not to spend the day in the woods, I propose that you, lady fair, allow yourself to be conducted back to the roadside, to inquire into matters and things in that region; that, if Hiram and his friend, Jason Pitcher, are not visible, I arrange you a seat in the broken ark, and then go in search of a wagon and team to convey us to the cars. But," he added, laughingly, "as I may be devoured by wild animals, or murdered for the sake of my watch and pocket-book, I would advise you to take whatever vehicle first presents itself, as there is none too much time to secure the four o'clock train. I will be as quick as possible, and strike into the woods again, for I thought I saw a hamlet in the distance. *Au revoir*—I have great confidence in Hiram's slowness."

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resign that stone seat, which is probably damp, and join me in a search for berries, and other nourishing articles appropriate to the characters of Babes in the Wood, which *role* 'Hiram' has unceremoniously bestowed upon us." There was something so genial, yet respectful, in his manner, that the bashful school-girl felt quite at ease with him; and the pleasant laugh that rang out on the autumn air came from a heart that felt no care and feared no ill.

"Hiram 'guesses that he'll hev' to stomp it to Jason Pitcher's, two miles off," said the gentleman, with a faithful imitation of country twang, "and perhaps Jason, who is a blacksmith, will come and look at our ark, and see if its wounds can be dressed so that it will hold together for the remainder of the journey."

"Oh!" exclaimed Fanny, with a spring of delight, "there are some winter-green berries! How beautiful they are!" and the next moment she was on her knees, gathering the gleaming fruit with an eagerness that amused her companion—while it rather saddened him that his own spring-time of feeling was past.

Winter-green berries are beautiful; and so are the dark, glossy leaves—and the rich, many-shaded moss that grows close by—and the gnarled roots of old trees—and the bright, October sunshine that floods the whole picture—and the glimpses, through the bare branches, of distant water—and the air, oh! that was indescribable—it was life, and strength, and happiness, and the gentleman in the "wide-awake" had listened to the tongue that seemed to have been suddenly loosened, like a fountain, and warbled musically of all these things, until he was almost in love with nature.

Had he ever seen the winter-green blossom? No, he believed he never had. It was a lovely, little, creamy bell, not unlike the lily of the valley—and had he ever noticed how bright-red berries were always heralded by white blossoms? He ransacked his small stock of botany, but it only produced strawberry-blossoms; and, fortunately, they *were* white.

"And the dogwood-tree," continued Fanny, enthus-



## The Earliest Footprints of the Spring.

BY DANSKE DANDRIDGE.



**W**HEN MARCH comes, rough and boisterous, with his drying winds, his snow-furries, and rare days of sunny stillness we begin to long for our summer comrades the birds and flowers and to hail their advent with joy.

First come the blackbirds holding noisy conclaves in the oaks and hickories of the wood-lot and welcome indeed is their hoarse jargon because it tells us that Spring is really on the way. A stray robin in the vanguard of the primal procession; a bluebird or two with its message of hope or an optimistic song sparrow confirm the good tidings brought by the blackbirds and then we sallie out to find the first Hepatica in a sunny nook where the spring that gurgles out of the rocks has kept the grass green all winter long.

Many have been the controversies as to the very earliest March flower. Some have claimed the Bloodroot, some the Dogtooth Violet which is not a Violet at all, but an Erythronium. Some say it is the odd-looking malodorous Skunk Cabbage that bears away the prize as first of all flowers to brave the winds of March. If I were appealed to to give the verdict, I could only say that in different localities different wild flowers appear first upon the list. Thus I recall a March spent in a wooded district of Pennsylvania where I once chanced upon a pond full of Marsh Marigold, *Caltha Palustris*, before even the first Hepatica had thrown back its furry hood. But in this neighborhood there are no marsh Marigolds, nor Skunk Cabbages. I would say that the Dandelion is the first blossom of the New Year, but it is not peculiarly a March flower, as there is no month in the year when a stray Dandelion or two may not be found taking advantage of a thaw to smile back at the wintry sun. It is the humble Chickweed that I usually find greeting the first mild days in March, closely followed by the Shepherd's Purse, the Hepatica, the Bloodroot and the blossoms of the Twin-leaf.

Of course it is not fair to include imported or naturalized plants in the list. If it were I would give the prize for venturesome hardness to the lovely little *Crocus Imperati*, which is sometimes found in flower in February, in my rockery; or to the Winter-Sweet, *Chimonanthus fragrans*, which is a large bush in our shrubbery, with pale yellow and maroon colored blossom bells, opening late in the Winter; or to the hardy Winter Jasmine, called *Jasminum nudiflorum* by the learned.

If the readers of Vick's prize these and other very early-flowering plants as much as I do, they may like a few suggestions on the formation of a Spring garden sure to give its owner a great deal of interest and pleasure, and to enable him to gather a bouquet of many kinds of flowers very soon after the last snows disappear.

A sunny and sheltered spot facing south is the best to choose for the Spring garden. If possible it should be protected on the north and west by banks, walls, a belt of shrubbery, or even a high board fence. Then, as a background to the garden, and inside of the wall or evergreen hedge, may be planted such shrubs as bloom early in the spring. A good list of these would include *Lonicera fragrantissima*, *Lonicera Standishi*, *Jasminum nudiflorum*, *Spiraea Thunbergii*, *Spiraea prunifolia*, *Chimonanthus fragrans*, *Forsythia Fortunei*, *Forsythia viridissima*, *Cornus mascula*, and *Kerria Japonica*. South of Washington the very beautiful *Mahonia Japonica* may be used, but it is not reliable farther north. If a bank forms part of the Spring garden it may be draped with *Forsythia suspensa*, a most beautiful and graceful weeping shrub sure to be covered with sunny blossoms late in March, or in April, according to season and locality. Then, where the soil is suitable, the lovely *Rhodora Canadensis* and the early-flowering *Daphnes*, such as *Daphne genkwa*, and *Daphne mezereum* may be tried, though they do not succeed in all gardens.

If there is room enough a group of flowering Currants might be tried, as well for their early foliage as for their fragrant flowers. Of these, *Ribes sanguineum* is the showiest, with its deep red flowers, and there is a variety of it with double blossoms lately introduced.

A part of the ground beneath these shrubs may be planted with the common Periwinkle, *Vinca minor*, or, if its encroachments are feared, then some of its varieties, such as the kind with double blossoms, the white flowered *Vinca*, or the sort that has variegated leaves might be tried. *Vincas* are especially good to plant under the shade of trees where little else will flourish. If part of the garden is in lawn, plant *Crocuses*, in all available species and varieties, thickly in the grass. It is better to form natural looking groups and colonies of these, than to scatter them without form or plan. Above all do not dabble them in, in stiff lines or rows, but plant a group here and there, or a long drift by the side of a path, or a colony under a bush or at the foot of a rock, just as wild flowers are found to group themselves in their native haunts.

Have colonies of *Scillas*, *Chionodoxas*, *Daffodils*, *Snowdrops*, *Nutmeg Hyacinths*, and other bulbs, to nestle at the feet of the shrubs. It is a good plan to plant *Scillas* and *Snowdrops* together, as they make a pretty contrast when in flower.

I am not laying down rules for a formal Spring garden all beds and borders, but for a bit of planting for Spring flowering that shall partake of the character of a wild garden, where one's favorites can be grouped as naturally as the flowers appear, for instance, on an Alpine meadow, when the sun has wakened them from their winter sleep.

But if beds are wanted then they can be filled with *Hyacinths*, *Pansies*, *Violets*, and *Primroses*. These will be all the better for winter protection of leaves kept in place with branches of trees. When the protection is removed, in the case of *Violets* and *Pansies*, a light sprinkling of fine manure should be worked in around the plants, and they will begin to bloom in the first genial days of Spring.

Finally do not forget to draw largely on the wild flora of the locality in which you live to further embellish the March garden. Trailing *Arbutus* may be induced to live in such a place if the right soil can be provided, in a half shady spot, but it is not easy to establish. *Hepaticas*, *Columbine*, *Star flowers*, *Spring Beauties*, *Houstonia*, the familiar *Dutchman's Breeches*, early *Saxifrage*, *Bloodroot*, *Twin-leaf*, and many other native plants are more accommodating, and are especially well adapted for the Spring rock-garden or the hardy fernery.

A garden spot devoted to these first comers is certain to be a garden of delights to the nature lover who is its fortunate possessor. In the first warm days of

### Pussy Willow.

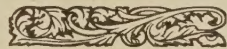
Little pussy willow,  
Robed in Quaker gray,  
Open all your blossoms,  
By the winding way.

Swaying in the breezes,  
Gently up and down,  
Graceful as a maiden  
Charming all the town.

Coming in your beauty  
Ere the wild birds sing,  
All the children love you,  
Harbinger of spring.

Dainty pussy willow,  
Robed in Quaker gray,  
Open all your blossoms,  
By the winding way.

—Boston Transcript.



### Pussy Willow.

The brook is brimmed with melting snow,  
The maple sap is running,  
And on the highest elm, a crow,  
His coal black wings is sunning,  
A close green bud the Mayflower lies  
Upon its mossy pillow;  
And sweet and low, the south wind blows  
And through the brown fields calling  
goes,

"Come Pussy! Pussy Willow!  
Within your close brown wrapper stir  
Come out and show your silver fur!  
Come Pussy! Pussy Willow!"

March one can be sure of gathering some blossoms from the Wintersweet, the Jessamine, the Bush Honey-suckles with their delicious fragrance, or from the Cornelian Cherry, which grows to be a little tree. The ground will soon be starred with *Crocuses*, and the groups of *Snowdrops* will vie with them in earliness. Soon the *Scillas* and *Chionodoxas* will venture out of their hiding-places in the warm earth, the earliest *Daffodils* will open their blossoms to the adventurous bees, and the first song-birds will find out the sheltered spot, and greet you with their simple music.

I could mention other shrubs and plants of earliest bloom, but they are of doubtful hardness. The Winter Aconite is a great favorite with our English cousins, and no doubt many of the readers of Vick's have succeeded with it. I have often sent for the bulbs but they have always come in a shrivelled condition, and never gave any evidence of life after they were planted. Like all the other bulbs they should be planted in the Fall, and would no doubt do well if plump healthy corms could be obtained.

If there is no other convenient place the ground under some deciduous tree might be utilized for all the plants I have named except, of course, the larger shrubs; or some neglected corner may be chosen where these "little friends of March" will grow and thrive with scant attention, and give you as much pleasure as the choicest blossoms you could buy from the most expensive florists.

## An Easter Party.

A Prize Article.

BY JOSEPHINE WEATHERLY.

The invitations to an Easter party may consist of china eggs artistically painted to represent faces surmounted by bonnets made of crepe tissue paper. The names of the host and hostess and date of party may be written upon the cheeks.

The host and hostess should be fancifully attired to represent Mother Goose and Bre'r Rabbit, the afternoon of the affair.

The decorations about the rooms may consist of blown-out colored eggs suspended from the chandeliers and ceilings, egg-shell brownies and rabbits made of gingerbread.

The first amusement of the afternoon may be an "egg-hunt." Colored eggs having been secreted about the rooms, each guest is given a fancy crepe tissue-paper basket lined with bits of green moss and told to hunt for eggs. The one finding the most is declared the champion "egg-hunter."

The next amusement is an "egg race." Each guest is given a spoon with which to pick up eggs from a pile on one side of the room and carry them to his own basket which has been placed at the other end. (The same eggs that were used in the "egg-hunt" may be used in the "egg-race.") The one picking up the most eggs is declared the winner.

If some progressive game be next in order—and most games can be so arranged—the score cards may consist of blown-out egg-shells suspended from the neck with baby ribbons, upon which the progressions are marked by pasting gilt stars.

In the various games, if it be desired to give prizes to the champions, what could be more appropriate than an Easter lily, a hand-painted china egg, a plaque of some Easter design or a potted resurrection plant? The consolation prizes might also appropriately be china "goose eggs," gingerbread "bunnies" or "egg-beaters."

An immense paste-board egg, if filled with bonbons, candy eggs and nuts to which ribbons are attached hanging through small holes in the egg, which upon being pulled will let down the sweet "refreshing" shower will cause a great deal of amusement.

The partners for supper may be found by selecting parti-colored eggs from a nest filled with bits of green moss. The supper may consist of the following tested recipes, arranged in three courses, each one of which carries out the Easter idea.

### FIRST COURSE.

**Egg Soup.**—Bring milk to a boil. Break into it one egg for each cup of milk; season with salt, pepper, butter and celery salt. Serve in cups with celery and egg crackers.

**Egg Crackers.**—Mix together eight table spoonfuls of melted butter, six eggs, one-half teacupful of sweet milk and flour enough to make a stiff dough. Knead thoroughly for about fifteen minutes, cut into strips and bake in hot oven.

### SECOND COURSE.

**Egg Sandwiches.**—Chop fine some boiled eggs. Season with salt, pepper, melted butter, mustard, a bit of sugar and vinegar. Work to a smooth butter and spread between thin slices of bread cut oval shaped. Tie with white and yellow baby ribbons.

**Egg Salad.**—Line a salad bowl with crisp lettuce leaves. Slice twelve hard-boiled eggs and a few cold potatoes into it. Next sprinkle with a few sweet pickles chopped fine and pour over all the following dressing. Work smoothly together the yolks of four raw eggs, one tablespoonful of salt, one teaspoonful each of sugar, mustard, and white pepper, the juice of one lemon, three tablespoonfuls of vinegar, two of oil or melted butter. Stir quickly for a few minutes over the fire and add a cupful of rich cream; when cold pour over the salad.

**Dressed Eggs.**—Boil eggs hard, cut in halves, take out the yolks and with them mix the following ingredients: A little salt, sugar, mustard, pepper, melted butter and anchovy sauce; mould into balls the size of the yolks and replace into the halves. Garnish each slice with a piece of lemon. Serve with hot egg bannocks.

**Egg Bannocks.**—Sift together one cup of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, and salt to taste; add four well beaten eggs and one cup of sweet milk; pour into gem pans and bake in quick oven.

### THIRD COURSE.

**Frozen Custard.**—Make a plain custard of four table spoonfuls of sugar and two eggs to each cup of milk. Boil in a double boiler until smooth. When cold, add vanilla extract and freeze. Serve with egg cakes.

**Egg Cakes.**—Yolks of eight eggs, half a pound of butter, one pound of sugar, one pound of flour and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Cream the butter and sugar together, then add the yolks, then the sifted flour and baking powder. Roll out thin, cut into oval shapes and bake in quick oven. Make icing with the whites of the eggs and pulverized sugar and spread over the tops of the cakes. (The yellow cakes and the white icing will look very pretty.)

**Easter Eggs.**—Diamond dyes, in the bright colors, make very attractive looking eggs; as do also the Paas dyes one buys at the drug store; but if these are thought objectionable, eggs boiled in saffron tea, red

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## The Garden in March.

By Lennie Greenlee.



LITTLE green-leaf lances poking up through the mold of garden beds are a signal that there is now work to be done outside. Often during warm weeks of March weather snow drops and scillas will open their flowers, and the daffies shake out golden flounces. If the winter mulches of leaves or litter stable fertilizers have been heavy it is time to partially remove them. The rougher part, likely to bleach the leaves and dismay the strong flower-stems, can be raked away, and the finer portion left to give fertility and the slight protection still needed. If the bulbs or

perennials have been pushing up through the mulch and their leaves have become partially bleached, to remove all of it would destroy them. Where considerable growth has been made under the mulch, it is safer to rake the heavy part away and scatter shrub-prunings, straw, or any light litter of the garden that March winds will not blow away, over the whitened, tender leaves.

We mulch hyacinth, tulip and other bulb beds for two purposes, to protect them against hard frost in winter and to prevent their being raised to the surface by frost-heaving or the stiling of their own roots. In moderately mild localities, comparatively deep planting of the bulbs will make winter mulches unnecessary. Elsewhere, mulches of chaffy, fine, well-decayed barn fertilizers, or of loose, partially decayed leaf-soil will give sufficient protection, without danger of weakening the tops in spring, as does the heavy mulching with coarse materials. The light mulches recommended do not need removal.

A good lesson in regard to planting is also easily read when the bulbs appear in March. The tops of those planted in September, or left in the ground over summer, are likely to be blackened and torn by winter storms and frosts because they started too early, even in fall, sometimes. October is early enough for outdoor bulb planting in any climate; in the Southern Atlantic states we plant in November and December. I once planted quite a lot of left-over hyacinths and tulips sent me by a florist in February and these bloomed nicely in April and May. Expert gardeners lift and cure the hyacinths and tulips which they wish to keep from "running out" every season, as soon as their leaves turn yellow. However, I do not advocate this except for choice and expensive bulbs.

### IN HOTBED AND COLD FRAMES.

In almost every yard there is some snug corner or sunny bank where a hotbed for starting early seeds could be made. Details for the work have often been given in these pages. I find that most inexperienced people oftenest err in sowing the seeds too early, before the first fierce heat of the packed manure has subsided into a gentle one of near eighty degrees. The layer of soil above the manure should be from five to seven inches deep and composed of sand, leaf-mold and rotted sods. Roots of cannas, dahlias, etc., that are to be started early, can be planted directly in this soil, and seeds of strong-growing annuals may be sown in it, in rows. The finer, tenderer seeds, and such bulbs as tuberous begonias, gloxinias, etc., it is better to sow and to plant in pots or boxes plunged in the soil of the hotbed. On cold nights the sashes must be covered, on warm days they must be removed, or tilted, to give air and to permit watering the seedlings as often as the top of the soil begins to look dry.

In many yards the cold frames now show sheets of bloom against the glass,—violets, pansies, English daisies, forget-me-nots, ixias and sparaxis, or perhaps a batch of calochortus and early tulips for which room can not be made in the windows. Careful airing and watering are necessary to keep the flowers bright. They will last much longer here than in the house if kept moderately cool and moist.

One section of almost every cold frame is devoted to pansy-growing. Young plants from seeds sown in August or September, and transplanted to the frame before frost, should now be sturdy little fellows about three inches high and full of buds. Next month will be time to plant them out in beds, near the walks or house windows. Aside from the spring-flowering bulbs, no plants of the garden give so much pleasure as the early violets and pansies.

### HARDY ANNUALS.

Sweet peas, poppies, and other hardy annuals that need to get particularly well established before the summer heat comes on, are usually sown in March if the ground can be properly prepared. Give the sweet peas a deep furrow half full of rich, mellow soil, and cover them about an inch deep. As they grow draw the soil towards them a little at a time until the rest of the furrow is filled. Brush them with stout, twiggy

boughs when they are two or three inches high. If left unsupported until they begin to topple over they are never so strong.

The poppies like a well-enriched, well-drained soil, somewhat sandy. Grown thickly they are spindling and short-lived. Thin them ruthlessly for strong, stocky plants with large flowers and vivid colors.

## The Raising of Heliotropes.

By Paul Vander Eike.

(A Prize Article in our late Contest.)

I have found it a comparatively easy matter to produce large beautiful heliotropes in the flower garden where Nature cares for them after the seeds are sown, but to transplant these plants and make them grow equally well indoors, I found to be one of the most difficult problems in floriculture. Often the leaves of the finest specimens will in a few days turn black, and fall off and the new leaves will be dwarfed and sick appearing while the blossoms become blighted in the bud. After considerable experience with these highly prized plants, I am now able to raise as healthy plants as one could wish for and hence offer my experience to the public.

For soil I make a mixture of half garden loam, one-fourth sand, and one-fourth leaf mold. If leaf mold is not easily obtained cut-up, turfy matter from dense grassy plots will do as well. Manure is too strong. The leaf-mold and other soil from the woods should always be baked and sifted, to kill worms and to remove other objectionable matter.

The selection of the right size of pot is an important matter. For, as is well known, nearly every plant of the vegetable kingdom grows almost as rapidly underneath the surface as above it. A plant six inches high ought to have a pot four inches in diameter and as soon as the height of the plant is three times the diameter of the pot the plant must be transplanted to a larger pot. This rule will hold good for most house plants.

Thorough drainage is the next essential and to secure it place pieces of broken crockery, charcoal, or small irregular stones in the bottom. If fruit cans are used, be sure to punch two or three good sized holes in the bottom. Drainage is necessary to prevent too much water from gathering around the roots and to permit air to circulate through the soil. If air cannot enter, the soil solution of particles of nourishment will be imperfect and the soil will become sour, as it were. Soils containing vegetable matter become sour if water-logged and as the air contains a small quantity of ammonia, it takes the acid out of the soil.

Heliotropes must not be watered profusely. The soil should be moist but not wet. A good plan that I have seen tried with excellent success is this: troughs of galvanized iron just the size of the shelves are placed on all of them and about half an inch of water is kept in them all the time. Capillary attraction, the force by which moisture soaks through the soil, will bring a sufficient amount of moisture to the rootlets of the plants and at the same time help to keep the air around the plants moist so as to prevent too rapid evaporation from the leaves. Small pots and those exposed to sunshine or wind will, of course, need more watering than large pots and pots in shady places.

The most troublesome thing to deal with are aphids, or green plant-lice. A good method is to fumigate with tobacco, but this method is very disagreeable to those not addicted to the tobacco habit. An emulsion

of tobacco tea poured upon the roots will eventually do the work, but the process is slow and uncertain. The emulsion sprayed upon the leaves makes the plants unsightly. Some claim to have been very successful with a tobacco extract called nikoteen. This is diluted in a large pan, placed under the shelves and a red hot iron dropped into the liquid. The vapor produced brings about the desired results. Lime water will usually kill worms in the soil. This is made by dissolving a piece of unslacked lime in a pail of water and allowing the precipitate to settle. Then decant and set away for use.

The temperature should be about seventy degrees F., and should not exceed seventy-five degrees F. Sixty or sixty-five degrees would be better. As to sunlight, the more heliotropes have the better. Ferns and begonias must be kept in the shade but heliotropes must be placed where the midday sun can strike them.

And now the fertilizers: Walker's odorless plant food, sold by The Vick Publishing Co., at 25c, is excellent. But a cheap liquid fertilizer may be made by soaking for a few days a half pint of hen manure in about a gallon of water. The liquid from this will be quite strong and is certainly cheap enough. Any plants, not heliotropes only, fed with this will grow to astonishing size in a short time.

The key to success in raising good plants is close attention to and careful study of your subjects. They must not be neglected a single day. A heliotrope kept too dry for a short time may be set back so that it will never amount to anything. Once or twice a year the plants must be carefully examined and reported, so as to prevent them from becoming root-bound and to remove or kill vermin.

## Sweet Peas.

By Emma Clearwaters.



LAST season was the first for several years that we have been successful with the "sweet butterflies, tiptoe for flight," it may help other sweet pea lovers to a successful season with them, if I tell of our procedure.

In March, just as early as the ground could be worked, a strip the east side of a north and south netting fence was spaded deeply. A bushel of well rotted barnyard manure was mixed with each rod of soil. This was well rotted, so old that it was more like rich soil than manure.

A trench six inches deep was made in this soil, the seed dropped thickly into it and covered until all was level, then walked on to press the soil close to the seed. This should not be done unless the soil is dry.

Several hard freezes came after the seeds were planted, and it was so long before they came to the top that I was in despair lest our sweet peas were another failure.

When they did arrive, how they grew, and are yet growing although they now (October) are, and have been in abundant bloom since the first of June.

The soil has been frequently and shallowly cultivated, and the roots never allowed to suffer for water. As the peas are under a peach tree, it is necessary to water quite often. All blossoms should be cut before sign of fading, as, if pods form, blooming is much lessened.

They are so sweet, the light colored ones being especially fragrant, more delicious than the tuberoses, and we have very large blossoms. Of course the bright colored ones are prettier and show the fragrant light ones off better.



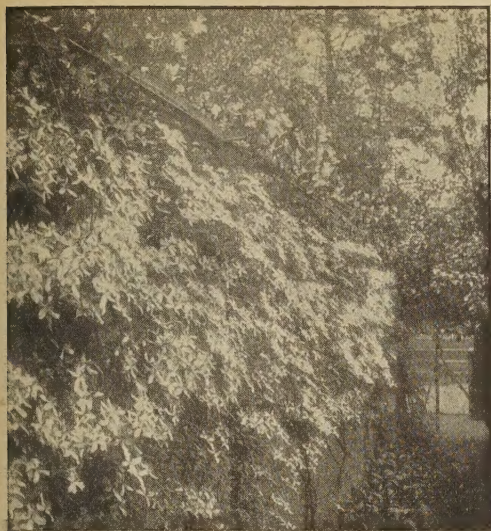
## Rooting Slips.

By Laura Jones.

I am very successful in rooting slips of all kinds. Roses I find best to root where they are to grow, and half ripened wood roots best. I break off slips with a heel, place in rich soil, turn a tumbler over it—or a glass fruit jar will answer—and leave them this way for three weeks, keeping them well watered. At the end of three weeks they are usually well rooted. I then put a prop under jar and allow them to have air in this way for a week; then I remove the jar and allow them to grow undisturbed for the rest of the summer. The hibiscus and other hard wooded plants I root in this way. I prefer rich soil to sand, as the sand dries out so quickly and the young roots are injured. Cactus slips root best in sand. Oleander and lemon verbena slips I root in water. I hang a bottle of water on the sunny side of the house and after placing slips in, I fill in neck of bottle with cotton, so as to exclude all air.







## Novelties of 1905.

By Herbert Greensmith.

The real novelties for 1905 do not appear to be so numerous as in some previous years, yet there are enough little known and scarce plants to make up the deficiency, and I think a careful perusal of the various catalogues will reveal many a gem to the enthusiastic plant or flower lover. The following is a partial list of those which have come under the writer's observation.

Among the earliest spring flowers to open are the single and the double forms of *Adonis Daurica*, pushing up their flower buds through the frozen ground long before the crocus in a sunny position. They flower in late February. Their fine, beautifully divided foliage and golden yellow flowers make them very attractive plants.

*Aquilegia Clematidae Hybrida*, the clematis flowered Columbine, is now being offered for the first time in this country and is said to come fairly constant from seed. It is easily raised by sowing the seed in early spring and blooms the second season. The flowers are flat and clematis-like in appearance, being devoid of the spurs common to the Columbine. *Clematis Montana grandiflora*, a very early, large-flowered, spring-flowering variety though not a new plant is one that deserves extensive cultivation on account of its extreme beauty and ease of cultivation. The beautiful *Clematis Flamula rubra marginata* is similar in all respects to the old fragrant Virgin's Bower, excepting each petal is beautifully margined with darkish crimson. *Clematis Ville de Lyon* will be hailed with delight by all who have been looking for a large red or carmine Clematis. We are told it is as large, as free flowering, and as strong a grower as the well known Jackman.

*Alyssum Saxatile flore pleno*, mentioned in my notes a year ago, should not be overlooked by those who desire a really good, sterling meritorious novelty for such it really is.

Nearly all are familiar with the bright flaming color

of the Oriental Poppies; now we have offered to us numerous shades of salmon, rose and even one variety said to be flaked with distinct blotches of white. (I may say I have flowered this for three seasons but failed to see any white in it, yet the originator, a man of undoubted character, says that in Europe it comes very true though.) We are also offered a very fine, dark-colored form. The originator says it is the darkest carmine purple imaginable, a nearer approach to mahogany (which it is named) than is to be found in any other flower, and from a dried specimen seen by the writer and vouched for by its exhibitor I should say this is a really good thing.

Shasta Daisies are again to the fore in named varieties with flowers four to five inches in circumference. *Iris pallida fol-var* is an exceedingly pretty variegated plant beautifully striped with broad, creamy, white bands which show up very conspicuously as the leaves are nearly erect and from twenty to thirty inches high.

The Stonecrop family offers us a very brilliant companion to our indispensable fall flowering *Seedum spectabile* in *Seedum Spec-Atropurpureum*. While the former is a bright rose, the latter is a very deep rosy crimson flowered form.

With *Gypsophila paniculata* (Baby's Breath) we are all acquainted. It is so easily grown and so useful for associating with Sweet Peas and other flowers that it is almost indispensable in any well-kept garden. Now we have a double-flowering form which is even more desirable than its predecessor and is considered the best new hardy plant offered this season.

The Red Perennial Sunflower, the result of cross fertilizing *Echinacea purpurea*, or a supposed hybrid form of it, with *Helianthus multiflorus* is said to be a very sensational novelty produced in Germany and comes to us very much heralded. Seed only of this can at present be obtained, about sixty or seventy per cent of which comes true.

A semi-double flowering form of *Heliopsis Pitch-*



erianus is quite attractive and very useful for cutting.

*Dianthus Napoleon III*, a mule pink found in old English Gardens thirty or forty or more years ago but seldom seen here on account of its methods of propagation not being understood, is now being disseminated and it is really a plant for the millions as it is constantly in bloom; and the more it is cut, the more it blossoms. In color it is brilliant blood crimson and it is deliciously fragrant.

*Anemone Japonica Prince Henry*, a fall flowering Japanese anemone, is by no means to be despised. I think its deep rich pink flowers in late fall are simply indispensable. *Anemone Japonica Geante Blanche* is a monstrous large-flowered, white form of great beauty and substance.

The New Boston Fern *Nephrolepis Piersoni Elegantisima* will appeal to all fern lovers. Printer's ink simply cannot describe the charm and beauty of this plant. Other good things which have come under the writer's eye and are worthy of a trial are *Helenium Grandicephalum cupreum*, a copper colored Sneezewort; the New *Delphiniums Argosy* and *Albion* the nearest approach to a white; the Giant Flowered Snapdragons; the various New Single Dahlias; *Nicotiana Sanderae* with handsome carmine red flowers; the Winter Flowering Stock *Beauty of Nice*; and the rich velvety scarlet-flowered *Zinnia Jacqueminot*.

## Planning for the Flower-Garden.

Every season many persons plan for a fine and satisfactory flower garden, but long before the summer is done the weeds have gained a start on the flowers, and the flowers, themselves are suffering for water, care and attention. Of course, a person is not always to blame for neglect in this direction; but, nevertheless, there is a fault, way back at the beginning, in that one should prepare a larger garden than he can possibly care for. One small bed of pansies or phlox, tended to as your conscience dictates and your time allows, will afford you much more satisfaction, than several large beds, with obstreperous weeds choking the life out of a few struggling flowers. This season plan only for what you think you can care for; then care for them well. There is never any satisfaction gained in slighting any kind of work that is worth doing at all.—B. B. Keech.

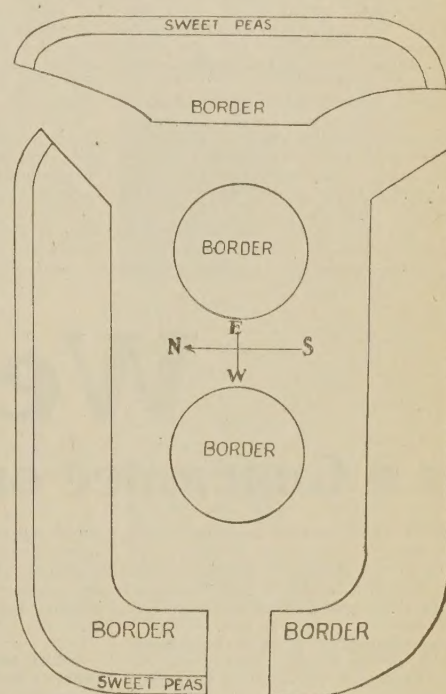
## Ten Paces by Eight.

By George C. Wille.

This is an unpretending effort written for those who have the usual yard at the back of their cottage-homes, which they would like to beautify and turn into a little garden-paradise, instead of a probably untidy and unsightly spot, if some one would just show how it might be done.

A garden that occupies only ten paces by eight is not a pretentious affair, but for the great majority of us that is about all the space that is eligible for gardening purposes.

An important thing that must be borne in mind is that the renter or owner of the home with such a garden spot available is probably one who works every day for his living and such an one has no large balance of energy left him when the leaving-off bell rings. Well, ten by eight will ask for an hour after supper in the spring, when his pipe is drawing well, one or two evenings a week; a little pottering about of an evening with a watering-can, rake and hoe a little later on, when the weather has become warmer and drier; a little potting in the fall, of those plants or slips he may wish to save over for the following year, or for blooming in the house during the winter. This will not be a serious drain on either his leisure time or strength!



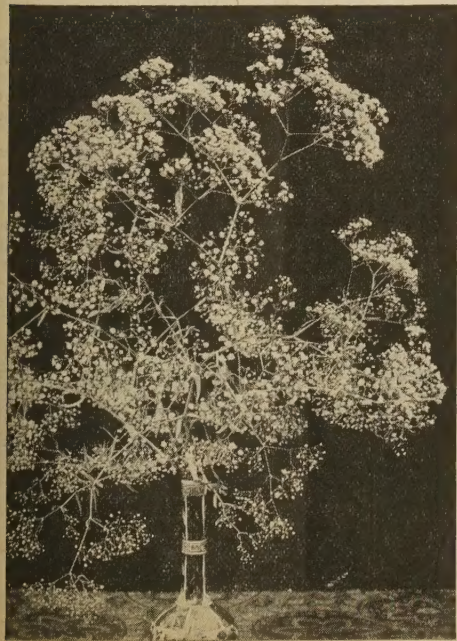
The fall is a good time to get your garden dug over and into shape for the spring. It "divys up" the backache, too, that way, as well as allowing the frost later on to clean and purify the ground so dug and broken up.

The plan given here, is, of course, one to be modified and altered to suit both individual tastes and circumstances; just an idea, nothing more. It is intended to give only the spirit of the thing, which is the beauty and the program of the flowers to appear in its borders next summer.

So much by way of preface, now for a start. You will notice, in the plan, provision for two rows of sweet peas. Well you've got to have some sweet peas anyhow—and some mignonette too. In growing sweet peas it is well to make a trench for them a foot wide, and removing the top soil from it to the depth of some four or five inches, heap this top soil to one side of the trench, which trench should then be well spaded through out its length to the depth of some eighteen inches. If the mould is very poor it would of course be an advantage to dig in some well-rotted stable manure.

Early in the spring as soon as possible after the frost is out of the ground sow your peas in this trench. Sow them pretty thick as worms, birds and insects seem to have an option on quite a few. The reason of this early sowing is that peas will germinate at forty-five degrees while most other seeds require at least sixty degrees. When your sweet peas have grown some four inches the question of giving them support will present itself to you and is apt to be a bothersome one to many. Brush is the best and most natural support; but it is also the most difficult to procure. The first year the writer grew sweet peas seriously he used brush. Now he grows them just as seriously but he finds poultry-wire netting five feet high plenty good enough for him and it can be used year after year.

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## FOR THE CHILDREN

### The Story of Trixy

By Benjamin B. Keech

**PRIZE OFFER:** To the boy or girl who sends us the best picture (drawing) of Trixy before April first we will send Vick's Family Magazine for five years or give five yearly subscriptions which you can sell at 25 cents each and keep the money. We will publish the picture in the May issue of Vick's with the name of the one who draws it.—Ed.

In four parts. Part I—How Trixy Found a Home.

It crouched on the steps and whined, piteously. When Neva opened the door, it looked up into her face with quick, bright eyes, and wagged a short, stumpy tail frantically to and fro.

"Oh, mother! Do come and see this dear little dog," cried Neva, over her shoulder. "A little yellow creature with the knowingest brown eyes you ever saw," she continued as her mother came and stood beside her.

At the sound of the child's sympathetic voice the little creature with the knowing brown eyes began a quick, prankish, pattering walk from one side of the steps to the other. The cold November rain drops were beating against his shivering little form, and there was a pleading look in his eyes, as he raised them questioningly to Mrs. Floyd and Neva.

"Oh, ma, ain't he a dear, though?" cried the child, twining an arm around her mother's waist. "May Charlie and I keep him for our very own?"

"I don't know about that, Neva; it will be as your father says," replied Mrs. Floyd, doubtfully. "But we can at least feed the little fellow and let him dry himself by the fire."

Neva invited the wanderer into the house, gave him some potato and milk, which was partaken of ravenously, and made him a little bed in one corner, near the fire. Then she went out to the barn where her brother Charlie was husking corn, and told him of their guest. Presently both children came running into the house; then the pretty little canine was petted and called so many endearing words that he hardly knew what to do.

"Isn't he cunning, though?" said Charlie, taking the dog up on his lap and stroking his head. "What a cute expression there is to his face. Why, he looks as if he was smiling."

"Oh, he is; and I'm sure he could talk if he only knew how," said Neva, leaning over her brother's shoulder.

"I'll bet he could, too," said Charlie, "and I know we can teach him to do a lot of tricks—he is so quick and bright. But say, what shall we call him. Come, sis, you found him—you shall give him a name if you wish."

"Let's see," said Neva, fondling the dog's ears. "He is bright and knowing and is to do tricks. Tricks, Supposing we call him Trixy, Charlie?"

"Agreed," said Charlie, giving the dog a little hug. "My son, do you hear? Your name is Trixy."

At this moment, Mrs. Floyd, who was putting the dishes on the table for supper, looked up and said:

"My dears, you mustn't grow too fond of the little dog or be too sure you can keep him, because you know how your father is. But maybe he won't care—" as she saw the disappointment creep over the two faces. "Anyway, you mustn't feel too badly if he makes you give him up."

Mr. Floyd was a man of variable temperament. When his efforts brought him success—when crops were good and money reasonably abundant, he was gracious and condescending; but when clouds of difficulty rose over the horizon of his life he was sour and stubborn. He was incapable of smiling when things went wrong.

It was this fact that had made Mrs. Floyd doubtful as to whether Trixy could remain. If Mr. Floyd was cheerful, perhaps he could stay; if he was morose and sullen, the little dog might have to seek another shelter.

It was nearly time for their father to come to supper; and the children began to watch he path with dread. What would he say? What would he do? Oh, it would be hard to part with Trixy now. Already his cute, winning, little ways

had found a permanent place in the hearts of the children.

The clock ticked loudly; the hour hand was at six, the minute hand at twelve. Mrs. Floyd, busy with the supper, glanced apprehensively down the path. Little shivers of excitement were beginning to creep up and down the backs of Neva and Charlie. Trixy, sitting on the floor with his back to the stove, looked from one to the other, with bright questioning glances, one little ear cocked up in a very comical manner.

Suddenly a sound from without caused the children to glance at their mother, hopefully. Some one was coming up the path, whistling; it was their father.

The clock struck merrily, Mrs. Floyd smiled. The children looked at each other happily. Trixy came over to the window, put two little paws up on the sill and looked out.

"What you got there?" said Mr. Floyd, eyeing the dog not unkindly, as he washed himself at the sink.

"It's a little tramp dog, Henry, that Neva found on the steps this afternoon," said Mrs. Floyd. "The children have taken a great liking to him and are very anxious to keep him for their own."

"Keep him for their own?" echoed Mr. Floyd, a bit contemptuously. "What they want to do that for? Aint Charlie got a calf and Neva a cat? What more do they want? And who's going to pay for his keep, I should like to know?" He looked interrogatively over the towel as he wiped his face.

There was a chair near where he stood, and into it Neva jumped. Twining her arms around his neck she looked straight into his face. It had been a long time since she had dared to take such a lib-

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# We Offer \$5,000

## As a Guarantee on Liquozone. The First Bottle is Free

A great deal is said in these days about Liquozone.

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But so great a good could not be done to humanity without harming the interests of a few.

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The value of the product was placed beyond possible question, before we staked our fortunes and reputations on it. It was amply proved that, in germ troubles, Liquozone did what medicine could not do.

Then we gave the product away—gave millions of bottles, one to each of millions of sick ones.

We have published no testimonials; no evidence of cures. We have never asked a soul to buy it.

Our method has been to buy the first bottle ourselves; to let the sick try it without the cost of a penny; to let the product itself prove its power.

Most of you know the result. There is no neighborhood—no hamlet so remote—but knows some wonders which Liquozone has wrought.

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How petty is that self-interest which would have you go back to the old methods—to the days before Liquozone! Back to the time when the very cause of disease was unknown, or when no one knew how to meet it!

### What Liquozone Is.

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Bowel Troubles	Malaria—Neuralgia
Coughs—Colds	Many Heart Troubles
Consumption	Piles—Pneumonia
Colic—Croup	Pleurisy—Quinsy
Constipation	Rheumatism
Catarrh—Cancer	Scrofula—Syphilis
Dysentery—Diarrhœa	Skin Diseases
Dandruff—Dropsy	Stomach Troubles
Dyspepsia	Throat Troubles

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Gonorrhea—Gleet	Women's Diseases

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### New Puzzles.

#### I. Hidden Races.

Some prefer the sugar cane  
Growing 'neath the southern rain.

William gave an awful yell,  
Owing to the gloomy cell.

With eyes upturned in mute dismay  
In the doorway Emma lay.

Look in Diana's eyes and see  
The emblem of all mystery.

Lew hit Edgar on the cheek  
And now Will says they do not speak.  
*Cowboy.*

#### II. Square.

1. A large bird.
2. To worship.
3. Ballots.
4. To build.
5. The homes of birds.

*Peter Pry.*

#### III. Numerical Enigma.

Young man, let me whisper to you,  
Whatever your calling may be;  
To the precept of virtue be true,  
And from vile 1 to 7 keep free.

Work hard, have a purpose in life,  
Put you cash in a house and a lot;  
When you meet the right girl for a wife,  
Get a parson to 6, 4, 5, the knot.

And then when you day's work is o'er,  
For your nice 3, 2, 1, 7, home you will yearn;

You'll be met with a kiss at the door,  
To welcome you when you return.

*Marie Thompson.*

#### IV. Double Acrostic.

1. Estate.
2. To employ.
3. A lump.
4. A kind of cloth.
5. A smooth glossy surface.
6. Not near.

The initial letters, a western city;  
finals, "to irritate." Words of six letters.  
*F. C. Road.*

#### V. Charade.

The first is a number, then the second  
"A troublesome insect" is often reckoned.

The whole if you'll but search around  
In town and country may be found.

*Minnie Sola.*

#### VI. Conundrum.

If a farmer raises 560 bushels of wheat  
in dry weather, what will he raise in wet weather?

*Alice Murphy.*

#### VII. Charade.

My first is a part of each ship that sails  
the sea,

My second is a speech but it wasn't made  
by me;

My third is a period of time—we see it  
every day,

My whole is a holiday that always comes  
in May.

*Margaret.*

#### VIII. Transpositions.

What one does not a man endure  
Who two his tailor to be sure.

His one he dons and so two rest to find,  
Across the snows away from all mankind.

And let me one another whom you'll say,  
Needs also pity when for her two she cannot pay.

She finds a solace and a two at afternoon  
three,

And tries herself to one, her woes to  
drown, ah, me!

*Marie.*

#### IX. Half Square.

1. One who operates.
2. A model.
3. Winded out.
4. Rules.
5. Certain periods of time.
6. A bush.
7. A preposition.
8. A letter.

*Minnie Sola.*

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## A Kite Without a Tail

By SCHUYLER BULL

Second in the series of articles which Mr. Bull is writing to tell boys how to make things.



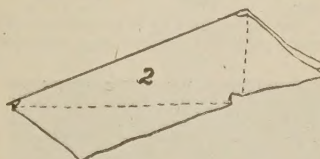
THE DESIRE to overcome the laws of nature is one of the great motives of human action, and one of the greatest desires is to get around, by hook or crook, the law which is expressed by, "What goes up, must come down, on your head, or on the ground."

That this is possible people have seen for ages in the flight of birds and insects and the drifting of leaves, thistle down and other light objects. We can get around this law in two ways; by making something lighter than the air that it displaces such as balloons or by using something heavier than air and making the wind lift it; the kite is of this type and when supplied with motors to propel it and rudders to raise and lower it and steer it, we don't call it a kite but a flying machine. Small models have been built that have flown about half a mile but the one large enough to carry people has not yet been made though we may hear of it any time as experimental tests made about fifteen years ago showed that when motors weighing less than ten pounds per horse power were available it would be possible to construct a flying machine on the kite principle.

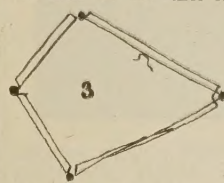
Such motors have been made for the last four years and are gradually being perfected. Experiments in steering and soaring have been made since 1891 in which several thousand short flights have been made and were the cause of two deaths. The first being Otto Lillien- thal after over two thousand experimental flights and the second Percy S. Pilchu after several hundred. Both were due to breakages of apparatus.

While we cannot all make a machine

in drawing number two mark off on the long edge away from the fold and cut on the dotted line. Now some mucilage

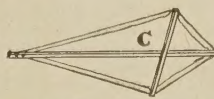


or paste, some string and four tacks or pins. If a kitchen table or board larger than the paper cannot be had spread a newspaper on the floor to keep the paste from smearing it and lay the kite paper flat on it and put a tack at each notch as shown in drawing number three. Take the string and pass it round all four tacks and tie it so the knot will not slip. Now paste the paper over the string as shown. When the four sides are pasted pull out the tacks and dry the paste. When this is done take the long stick and hook the notch on the end into the string at the short end of the diamond and mark on the other end of the stick



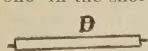
where the string on the long end comes and make a notch there and two others a quarter of an inch apart farther out on the stick.

Now hook the notches on the short stick into their proper places as shown in drawing number C, then pass the long stick through the loop of string in the long end of the diamond between the short stick and the paper; hook in to place as



shown in drawing number C and hook the loop in long end in whichever notch it will go.

Now take a piece of wood about four inches long and about the size of a lead pencil or a little smaller and drive a pin without a head in each end, leaving about half the thickness of a lead pencil sticking out, put one point in the hole in the long stick and the other in the one in the short stick as shown in drawing number 2B. The



kite is now ready for the flying string. Fasten an apiece of string at one end of the long stick, hook it over the notch on one end of the short stick, then tie it at the other end of the long stick unhook it from the short stick marking the place on the string where it was hooked. Make a loop there by tying a knot as shown in drawing 1 B. If you have done it right the knot when drawn over till it touches the paper on either side will be right over the stick. Fasten the end of your ball of string in this loop and you are ready to fly it. xx

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At the same time it is a curious fact that no objection is raised to a sweater,



which contains quite as much warmth, and answers every purpose. The small boy loves the sweater because it is just like father's, and to be like father is the joy and ambition of his life; while the new sweaters for the little maid are so charming, so dressy, so shapely, that the lassie who did not lose her heart to them would be lacking in all those feminine instincts which every little woman has so great a measure.

Of the boy's sweaters first: the choice lies between a Norfolk and the regulation sweater. The Norfolk is familiarly known nowadays as the Buster sweater, and is a straight garment, knit or crochete as preferred, with straps in a contrasting color running over the shoulders and almost to the lower edge, both front and back. There is a belt, worked like the shoulder straps and in the same color, doubled well over at the centre and closing with patent fasteners; and although there is no hint of it in the appearance of the garment, the sweater itself is open down the left side, beneath the entire length of the strap.



The Buster sweater is ridiculously easy to make, but not less easy than the sweater of the regulation shape. The latter now is worked in the broken rib stitch, for one reason because it is less severe than ordinary ribbing, but chiefly because it has so much more elasticity, and will not quickly stretch out of all proportion. In shape there is nothing unusual about the sweater, unless one considers the collar, which must be high enough to turn in triple folds, to suit the

boy of today. It must also be made of the finest of steel needles, even when coarse yarn is used, otherwise it will quickly become unshapely.

Another design in a straight sweater, is the basket pattern and when developed in cream white Spanish yarn makes a garment that is modish in appearance and in spite of its simplicity is a fitting accompaniment to some one of the little lady's handsome gowns.

Like the sweater itself the sleeves are tight fitting and finished with a band knit in plain garter stitch. This band edges the entire sweater, the bottom, the fronts and the neck. The latter is low and there is no collar. There are buttonholes worked in the garter stitch band down the left front and buttons are sewed down the right.

A diminutive sweater in the knitted cable stitch delights the soul of the little maid because it is so exactly like mother's. It is made in the same twist, with the same bloused fronts, the same sleeves, the same ribbed belt and collar and cuffs. The fronts are faced with ribbon and closed with hooks and eyes and the collar may be worn upstanding or arranged to roll back as preferred.

Dressy indeed is a crocheted sweater. Like the cable twist it is bloused with tight belt. It is worked in golf yarn in a fancy stitch some pretty color being selected then dots of a contrasting color introduced at regular intervals. For the original model a lovely shade of bright cardinal was used and for the dots cream white. The dots are introduced on every fourth row and the white wool carried along inside the stitches so that the wrong side is quite as neat and pretty as the right.

In the child's crocheted sweater the sleeves are pouched, the collar high and rolling, and the fronts closed with bows knotted from ends of ribbons fastened at regular intervals down each side of the front. The result is a garment dressy enough to be worn without a coat, on state occasions.

Although not a sweater exactly, there is one garment now being worn by the little girls which will appeal to every mother because of its practical value. It is a little jersey, made in rib stitch of



fine zephyr shetland, and intended for use beneath a thin wash dress on the cool days of summer. Every mother knows how even the lightest of coats spoils the freshness of the dainty gorgy or embroidered gown beneath it. The use of this jersey obviates all need of wearing a coat and, besides adds a touch of beauty when made of some dainty coloring of which a suggestion gleams through a gown.

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## Blouse or Shirt Waist 4865

The vest effect has extended even to the shirt waist and is to be found in many of the latest and most attractive models. This one is made of one of the new small plaids, in brown with threads of tan color and white, and is combined with vest and trimmings of white broadcloth edged with fancy braid and finished with little gold buttons. The fancy collar is an attractive feature and the sleeves are the new ones which are full at the shoulders with wide cuffs, while the closing is made invisibly at the left of the front beneath the edge of the box plait.

The waist consists of the fitted foundation, which can be used or omitted, as preferred, fronts and back. The back is laid in two box plaits which extend from the shoulders to the waist and give tapering lines, the fronts in a box plait at each edge of the vest and outward-turning plaits at the shoulders. The vest portion is separate and is attached beneath the box plaits and the fancy collar is arranged over the fronts on indicated lines. The sleeves are cut in one piece each, gathered and attached to the cuffs and at the waist is worn a shaped belt.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is  $4\frac{1}{2}$  yards 21 inches wide,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  yards 27 inches wide or  $4\frac{1}{2}$  yards 44 inches wide, with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  yards in any width for vest and trimmings and  $7\frac{3}{4}$  yards of braid.

The pattern 4865 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.



Pattern No. 4899.

## Box Plaited Blouse 4899

TO BE MADE WITH OR WITHOUT THE FITTED LINING.

Simple blouses or shirt waists fill a need and always are in demand however much more elaborate ones may be liked. This one is laid in box plaits for its entire length and is becoming to the generality of womankind, while it is absolutely simple and well-suited to wear with the jacket suit. The sleeves are among the latest of the season, wide and full at the shoulders and narrow at the wrists where they are finished with deep cuffs. As illustrated the material is royal blue taffeta with figures of the same color, but all the season's waistings are correct.

The waist consists of the fitted lining, which is

optional, fronts and back, which are laid in box plaits, and the closing is made at the center front. The sleeves are in one piece each and can be arranged over the linings or joined to the cuffs as may be preferred.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is  $3\frac{3}{4}$  yards 21 inches wide,  $3\frac{3}{4}$  yards 27 inches wide or 2 yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4899 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.



Pattern No. 4891.

## Shirred Tucked Waist 4891

TO BE MADE WITH HIGH OR LOW NECK, LONG OR ELBOW SLEEVES.

Shirring and tucks continue to be the favorite trimmings of fashion and are shown in various combinations and widths. This very attractive waist is shirred to give a berth effect while it is tucked below, so giving the effect of additional fullness in the blouse portion and sleeves. As illustrated, the material is pale blue crepe de Chine combined with tea colored lace over white chiffon, but all materials soft enough for shirring are appropriate, and when liked, the yoke and cuffs can be omitted, making the waist low with elbow sleeves.

The waist consists of the fitted lining, fronts, back and yoke. When made high neck the waist and sleeves are shirred in successive rows, but when low neck is used the choice is allowed between four rows and a single row of shirring at the upper edge. The sleeves are large and full arranged over foundations which are faced to form the cuffs, or cut off at elbow length, and the deep belt is shirred at its ends and stayed with strips of bone.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is  $4\frac{1}{2}$  yards 21,  $3\frac{3}{4}$  yards 27 or  $2\frac{1}{2}$  yards 44 inches wide, with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  yards of all-over lace and  $\frac{1}{2}$  yards of silk for belt.

The pattern 4891 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.



Pattern No. 4897.

## Blouse or Shirt Waist 4897

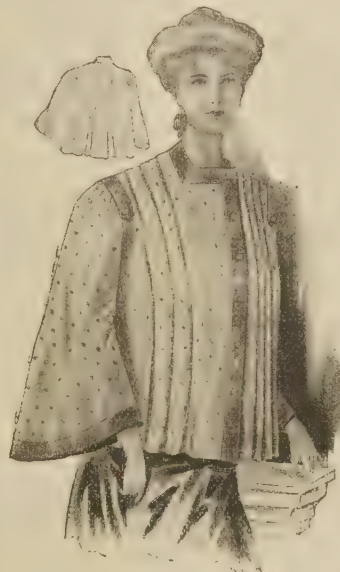
Waists that are simple in style yet a little more elaborate than the shirt waist fill many needs and are in great demand. This one is exceptionally attractive and is adapted both to the odd waist and to the entire gown as well as to a variety of materials. As illustrated, however, it is made of

dark red chiffon taffeta stitched with corticelli silk and worn with a black tie and belt. The yoke adds largely to the effect and intensifies the broad shoulder line, but can, nevertheless, be omitted when a plainer waist is desired.

The waist consists of the fitted lining, which is optional, fronts and back, with the yoke and sleeves. The sleeves are made in one piece each and are laid in plaits both at the upper edge and above the cuff portions. The closing is made invisibly at the left of the front and the neck is finished with a regulation stock.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 5 yards 21 inches wide, 4 yards 27 inches wide or  $2\frac{3}{4}$  yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4897 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inch bust measure.



Pattern No. 4846.

## Kimono Sacque 4846

The kimono in all its variations has become an established fact with Western women and is ever taking on new forms. This one is made with a slightly open square neck, while the shoulders are trimmed with straps which give the fashionable broad line. The material from which the model was made is pale blue cashmere, stitched with corticelli silk and trimmed with fancy silk made into banding, but all the materials suited to negligees of the sort can be used.

The kimono is made with fronts, back and sleeves. The fronts are tucked to yoke depth and allowed to fall free below that point, while the backs are tucked to give a box plaited effect and stitched for a portion of their length, being pressed into space below. The sleeves are wide and gathered at the upper edges where they are sewed to the sacque beneath the shoulder straps. The band at the front and neck is cut in two portions, which are joined at the centre back, and is arranged over the kimono on indicated lines.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is  $4\frac{1}{2}$  yards 21 inches wide,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  yards 27 inches wide or  $2\frac{3}{4}$  yards 44 inches wide, with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  yards 21 inches wide for banding.

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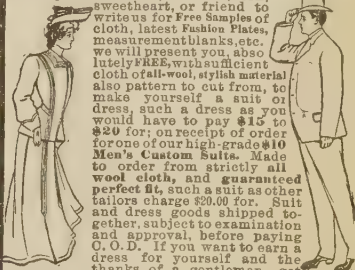
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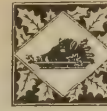
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## THE HOUSEHOLD



### Some Simple Remedies.

A glass of hot water taken before breakfast will frequently relieve sick headache, constipation, biliousness and indigestion.

For ordinary headache, put one ounce of bromide of potash in four ounces of water, and take one teaspoonful in half a cup of water.

To check vomiting when other means fail, take a teaspoonful of whole black mustard seed and apply spice or mustard plaster to the stomach and wrists.

For the sting of a bee or wasp nothing is better to neutralize the poison than tobacco cut fine and applied to the wound. A raw onion will also give relief.

To relieve catarrh in the head, the frequent use of cold salt water is said to be excellent; another simple and very effective remedy is to snuff equal parts of powdered borax and white sugar.

For sleepless nights, wet a cloth in cold water and lay on the back of the head and neck; fold a towel smoothly over it and very often the brain will be soothed and the nerves quieted better than by an opiate.

The common mullein leaf boiled in new milk and sweetened is a very effective remedy for diarrhea to relieve summer complaint in children; give blackberry cordial or tea made of the root of either the blackberry or raspberry bush.

A bilious attack may be soon overcome by taking the juice of one or two lemons in a goblet of water before retiring and in the morning before rising. Taken on an empty stomach the lemon has an opportunity to work on the system.

An eye wash which is perfectly harmless is made from two grains of sulphate of zinc, one-half grain of morphine and one ounce of distilled water; mix and bottle. Put a drop in the eyes and keep them closed for some time. Many first-class oculists prescribe a wash made by dissolving a teaspoonful of powdered borax in water.

*Eleanor R. Parker in an Exchange.*

### Things to Remember.

If the hair is falling out, rub the pulp of a lemon on the scalp.

To cure a felon, apply a poultice made of rye flour and soft soap.

To clear the premises of rats, place freshly slacked lime in their runways.

Ink stains may be removed from white goods by rubbing promptly with a slice of lemon.

The best griddle-greaser is a turnip halved. Makes no smell, and keeps cakes from sticking.

Alum water will restore almost any faded colors, if put into the rinsing water after the goods are washed.

The air in a damp cellar may be made drier and purer by placing in it an open box containing fresh lime.

A sponge may be cleaned by letting it lie covered in milk for twelve hours and then rinsing in cold water.

Glass may be cut with a chisel if kept constantly wet with camphor gum dissolved in spirits of turpentine.

In cleansing paint spots that will not yield to soap, try a damp cloth, wet in strong soda water, and rub lightly.

Newspapers soaked in a solution made of cayenne pepper and water, and thrust into mice holes, will free the house from mice.

A handful of salt in the bluing water will keep clothes from freezing in the severest winter weather, a fact worth remembering at this time of year.

In case of a scald or burn the essential thing is to exclude the air as quickly as possible. If not blistered, cover with old linen cloth dipped in sweet oil, then cover securely from the air. For a slight burn cover with common salt; this will soon ease the pain.

To remove mud splashes from soft dress material, leave until thoroughly dry, then rub gently with a dry corn cob; it will not roughen the goods as a brush does. Lake or sea sand will freshen velvet and remove the dust. Apply fine

sand quite freely, then brush until none remains, always brushing the pile the wrong way.

### Vassar Fudges

Put a half pint rich milk in an agate saucepan with a pound of granulated sugar and a piece of butter the size of a walnut. Grate a quarter of a cake of unsweetened chocolate and add to sugar, etc. Place over the fire and stir continually until it forms a soft ball when dropped in cold water. Take from the fire and beat rapidly until it is stiff. Pour quickly into buttered pans to the depth of one inch. Let cool, then cut into cubes.

People find that, though they put plenty of sugar into a fruit pie it is not sweet when baked. The ordinary cane sugar is converted into grape sugar when heated with any acid, and that sugar has only about one-third the sweetening power of cane sugar. But if a little baking powder is added, to the fruit, so as to neutralize the acid, the sugar will retain its sweetness in the cooking.

Bread griddle cakes serve not only as a means of disposing of left-overs, but are delicious if well made. Soak two cupfuls of breadcrumbs in two cupfuls of scalding milk over night, having the milk scalding hot when it is poured over the bread. In the morning rub the crumbs through a sieve or potato ricer. Add a tablespoonful of melted butter, the well-beaten yolks of two eggs, a cupful of flour, a half teaspoonful of salt and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Add the stiffly-beaten whites of the eggs and cold milk if the batter needs thinning. Bake on a moderately hot griddle.

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In a test with various egg preservatives at the Ontario station, the two leading successful substances were lime water and water-glass solution. Eggs put up in lime water scored forty-one out of a possible fifty, and those in water-glass in proportion of one part to seven of water scored 43.2 out of a possible fifty. The addition of salt to the lime water failed to secure as good results as the lime water alone, and greased eggs put up in salt were not equal to the others mentioned.

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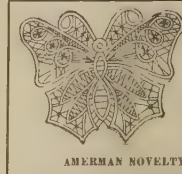
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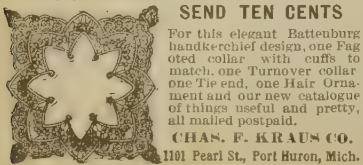
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Jest a "boy's dog," stranger.  
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Time the snow was deepest,  
Dragged a little shaver home  
Where the hill was steepest.  
Ain't a bulldog, but you bet  
'Twouldn't do to scoff him.  
Fastened on a tramp one time—  
Couldn't pry him off him.  
Not a pointer—jest the same,  
When it all is over,  
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And though a girl can never hope  
A hero's crown to win,  
She, certainly, can try her best  
To be a heroine.

### A Question.

A. E. A.

They say a tiny little stream  
Helps make the mighty sea,  
But do you think that Lincoln once  
Was just a boy like me?

I know a small black apple-seed,  
Can make a tall, straight tree,  
But do you think a Washington  
Can be made out of me?

And if I grow and grow and grow,  
And do the best I can,  
Do you suppose I'll ever make  
A celebrated man?

Any way, I'll jus' run off,  
'N' hide close by the house, 'n' then  
Pretty soon my ma'll come  
'N' ask me to come back again.

—J. J. Montague.

### Promoted.

Last night I was a little boy;  
You'd scarcely know me from Bess  
The silly-looking kiltis I wore  
Were so much like her dress.  
But won't I s'prise them all today,—  
My uncles and my aunts?  
For I am four years old, and I  
Have pockets in my pants!

I don't want any han'kerchief;  
I need my pockets all  
To keep my chalk and marbles in,  
My cookies, and my ball;  
I need them for my specimens,—  
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Hurrah! I'm most a man today,  
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When William clears the table  
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Struggled hard without avail;  
Still the baby pulled her tail—  
Naughty boy!

Pussy raised her little paw—  
Angry cat  
Gave the baby's face a claw,  
Scratched his cheek till it was raw,  
Awf'lest scratch you ever saw—  
Think of that!

—Father Goose's Songs.

### Bread and Butter.

My mother says, if little girls  
Want curly hair, they must  
Eat all their bread and butter up,  
And especially the crust.

So very many little girls  
In all the wide, wide world  
Would be so very happy if  
Their hair was only curled.

And can I be so selfish, then?  
No, dear mamma, I must  
Give other little girls my bread,  
And especially the crust.

### The Nicest Thing.

The nicest thing in all the world,  
For any girl or boy,  
Much nicer than good things to eat,  
Or any kind of toy.  
The very nicest thing to have  
Than even pretty clothes,  
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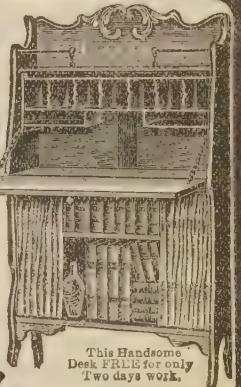
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## Editorial

### Again, Thank You.

Several times since I took the editorial chair of Vick's, I have appealed to my readers to assist in various ways in making the magazine a great success and I am delighted to announce that thousands have at once come to our assistance and the result is, we are able to publish a better magazine than ever before, and we have thousands of subscriptions on our list which would not be there, had it not been for the co-operation of our subscribers.

In the February issue I asked that my readers take shares in The James Vick Company, which are being sold to provide funds to greatly increase the circulation of the magazine, and to establish the other departments. The response to this last appeal has been very liberal indeed, and I wish to thank those who have sent in their subscriptions for shares, and to assure them that I appreciate fully their hearty response. Everything possible will be done at this end to make this investment very profitable. I would not dare put down in black and white my most sanguine hopes for this business; my readers would think I was on the road to the lunatic asylum. Being constantly in touch with farmers and gardeners throughout the entire country, and receiving intimations of their needs through the thousands of letters which come into our office, I see the wonderful possibilities of the company as soon as we have the requisite capital and have our force of county managers and agents organized. Just do a little figuring on the matter yourselves. Suppose we average to do only \$2,000 worth of business per year (I really expect to do much more) in each of the 3,000 counties of the United States, that would mean \$6,000,000 of business a year, and at a net profit of only ten per cent (which is too small) would mean a net profit to the company of \$600,000 a year, or sixty per cent on the capital stock. I am not sure that this volume of business can be carried on with a million dollars capital, although I feel confident that it will not require much more than that. I do not want to be understood as promising sixty per cent profits, although I feel absolutely sure that the company will earn much more than fifteen per cent just as soon as the new departments are fully under way. I know that the business is to be had with the proper organization and that we shall work up this organization rapidly from now on.

There is something more for which I wish to thank my readers, and that is the splendid manner in which they have patronized those who advertise in VICK'S. This is the reason we are carrying the very large amount of advertising which we are; it pays to use space in Vick's. There will be no trouble to keep our columns well filled so long as our readers are so loyal to their favorite magazine.

A few words more about the investment which I ask you to make. A large number have written to me to ask questions. I like this. It shows that they are careful, sensible people who want to know what they are doing. If there are any others who desire information on any point, I hope they will write to me at once. I will answer all questions fully and frankly. There is nothing to cover up, nothing to hide, nothing secret about this proposition. There is no stock jobbing, no issuing of preferred shares to a favorite few, no preferences. Everyone who buys shares in The James Vick Company stands on the same foot-

ing as I do. No officer or director can get a dividend on his shares unless every stock holder gets exactly the same dividend, no matter whether he holds one share or one thousand shares. Every share is on exactly the same footing as to the control of the company. One share held by Mrs. Smith, who lives in Iowa, gives her just as much right in the election of directors and the control of the business as any other share held by any other person here in Rochester, or elsewhere, and I shall make it my business to see that everyone gets fair play. Is the investment safe? The best answer I can give to this question is to cite the fact that the business has been running successfully for over a quarter of a century and that it is more prosperous today than ever before. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been expended to build up the great Vick reputation and I am sure that no name is more widely or favorably known from Maine to California. It was on this account that I sold my interest in another great publishing house which has a capital of \$300,000, and a magnificent plant worth \$150,000, and put my money, every dollar of it, into the VICK business. I am glad I did it, for I see wonderful possibilities for the Vick business and believe that millions of dollars can be made from it in the next few years. Sometimes I wish we had made the shares only one dollar each so everyone of my readers could take at least one share but the terms of payment are so easy (\$1.00 per share down, and \$1.00 per month) that I am sure nearly everyone can meet them; at least I hope that a large number who have not written for shares will do so at once.

Please turn to the inside of the front cover of this issue and read my statement there, also glance at my picture that we may feel that we are talking face to face. One word more; if you did not read the announcement in the February issue, will you not please do so at once? If your February number is destroyed, please write to Wells & Corbin, Land Title Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa., for an illustrated prospectus which tells the whole story. I trust that I shall have the pleasure of welcoming a large number of you into the family of Vick share holders in the near future.

*J. C. Owen*  
Editor.

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It is not our intention to admit to the columns of Vick's Family Magazine any advertising which is not entirely trustworthy and we will make good to actual paid in advance cash subscribers any loss sustained by patronizing Vick advertisers who prove to be deliberate frauds, provided this magazine is mentioned when writing advertisers and complaint is made to us within twenty days of the transaction.

We will not attempt to settle disputes between subscribers and reputable advertisers nor will we assume any responsibility for losses resulting from honest bankruptcy. We intend to protect our subscribers from frauds and fakirs and will appreciate it if our readers will report any crooked or unfair dealing on the part of any advertiser in Vick's.

**3 Years For 50c.**

The response to our special offer in the February issue has been so hearty that we have decided for a short time longer to accept subscriptions for **three years at 50c, or clubs of three for 50c**. This is a very liberal offer and gives us but small fees for subscriptions but it saves expense in securing the subscriptions and in recording and billing them so we are willing to make this rate for a short time to see how it goes.

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## Lullaby Song.

Through Sleepy-Land doth a river flow,  
On its further bank white daisies grow;  
And snow-white sheep, in woolly floss,  
Must one by one, be ferried across,  
In a little boat they safely ride  
To the meadows green, on the other side—

Lullaby, sing Lullaby!

The boatman comes to carry the sheep  
In his little boat to the Land of Sleep.  
Upon his head is a poppy wreath;  
His eyelids droop and his eyes beneath  
Are drowsy from counting, "One, two, three,"—

How many sheep doth the baby see?  
Lullaby, sing lullaby!

One little sheep has gone over the stream;  
They press to the bank: How eager they seem!  
Two little sheep alone on the shore—  
Only two sheep, but he's bringing one more;  
Three little sheep in the flowery fields,  
Cropping the grass which Sleepy Land yields,  
Lullaby, sing lullaby!

Four little, five little sheep now are over;  
Six little, seven little sheep in the clover—  
Deep in the honey sweet clover they stand,  
Eight little, nine little sheep; now they land;  
Ten, and eleven, and twelve little sheep!  
And baby herself, is gone with them, to sleep!—  
Lullaby, sing lullaby!

*Selected.*

Note. The above was a clipping and being one of those nameless waifs lost in the pages of a great daily paper, I place it before my mother readers so many of whom have already sent in original or selected lullabies. The response to my February idea pleases me—especially from many Grandmothers!—and proves how similar all mothers' tastes are. We all love a good lullaby to sing to our nestling babes and I am proud of some original ones I have received in our competition.

A Word. My object is to get some good lullaby, retain its author's name although buying the poem and assume the risk in the future of sending it forth as the most popular lullaby of the day. That it will require nice effort to choose the best I already am convinced. All who fail entirely I will notify; those worthy acceptance I will write as soon as I can. Meanwhile, remember: Keep an easy musical lilt to the words; have a drowsy chorus, and an over four short verses of three are better—have the words cover all seasons, races and peculiar beliefs in a wise generalism of expression. Make yours a lullaby for every mother every day of the year. Religious sentiments are not necessarily the best for modern lullabies although Dr. Watts hymn was popular once. Several have copied this wholly or in part for their selection and it is one I always loved, having hummed its tune incessantly to several of my own as well as various sleepless and wriggling little cousins of my early years. Any selection which can be easily sung with that musical rather than poetical meter—is open to favor in the first place of our competition. Send every good lullaby you have for of course the copy which includes the music of an old favorite would have a better chance to win.

The prize of \$5.00 is for an "Original" lullaby. Others worthy acceptance for use in a little book I am to publish giving a collection of lullabies, I will pay at usual rates for poems in magazines such as Vick's. In addition I offer a prize of \$3.00 for the clipping or copy of the best old favorite lullaby, with or without music. (It will add to its value to know how old it is and the publisher's name.) Some of these it may be will appear in Vick's to grace The Mother's Meeting Department. (I will speak to our publisher about it.)

The desire to obtain very good returns causes me to let the first competition run until May 1st. This is for Original Lullabies. The second will run until July 1st. Meanwhile those contributing possible acceptable work will hear from me and those who fail will have work returned as soon as possible.

Further Note. All parties now holding Heartsease Libraries will soon be informed where to forward same. No further applications will be taken for the libraries until further notice but all

whose applications reach me by April and will receive the Libraries in turn.

Any mother or young wife whose life is bitter; any one whose body is too weak for life's burdens and all who look forward in fear, joy or inexperienced timidity to coming motherhood lie near my heart; to these I would send Special Heartsease in advance of regular libraries.

This is my last offer, my last appeal to those needing help through the Libraries for a considerable time. So do not delay dear friends. Procrastination ruins silently and surely many otherwise noble lives.

## The Young Mother.

Because of its dire results advice upon the subject of bottle fed babies needs to be given with a warning and taken with a saving amount of common sense. I shall do my best to point out the special dangers and to suggest safe methods in this month's issue covering only the ground of what and how to feed babies under six months who are stay-at-homes, and giving equal attention next month to the little traveller (especially in hot weather) and the baby under eighteen months old; for the gradual introduction of solids into the diet needs a word of advice.

Baby's First Day. Sad day is this if it be the one in which it is condemned to lose its heritage—mother's breast. Lost day, if due to misunderstanding causes some one in authority says "we must put it on the bottle." Tragic day too if it be the first born, now begins the experiments of nurse, doctor, two grandmothers, a few aunts, several neighbors and an over-anxious father and mother.

Assuming that in reality baby must be weaned—note "must!"—on the first day the very little food needed is to be carefully chosen. Since it must lose the purging natural effects of that milk first found in mother's breast a physic is needed to cause the removal of the dark substance found in babies first stools. Poor baby must take his remedies like his food independent of the mother's milk! Therefore when castor oil is the remedy (and nothing else supplies equal results as a physic under such conditions as indicate its use.) I am glad to tell you there is now an odorless, tasteless castor oil and advise everyone to not only keep castor oil on hand—especially in summer—but use this brand to avoid nausea. Castor oil is one of the "must haves" in my medicine closet.

Right here a kindly and philosophical warning (I quote from Dr. Dye's "Painless Childbirth.") "I sincerely hope that those who read these pages will remember that baby is not always sick nor hungry when it cries a little! More babies die from over than under feeding. Nothing can be farther from my wish than to neglect these little strangers; but when we realize the growing tendency to keep them half stupid with opiates in the form of powder, paregoric, soothing syrup, baby syrup, and the like, we are sure our language is not half strong enough. There are times when

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## NAME THE BABY

200 names to select from. 10 cents in silver. C. EARLEY CO., Oakland, CALIFORNIA.

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No investment. No Risk. Send no Money

If you wish to raise money quickly and easily for any church purpose, send us the photographs of your church and your pastor, and we will reproduce them, together, in a color photograph, on 200 satin finished, aluminum pin trays, and send trays to you express prepaid. Everybody wants this exquisite souvenir of church and pastor and your members quickly sell them at 25 cents each. You keep \$30 for your profit and send us \$20 in full payment for the 200 souvenirs. Send photographs (any size) and names to-day. Send no money. Your workers will sell all the souvenirs in ten days as hundreds of others have and you can send us our money any time within a month. Write and learn success of others.

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### Molasses Cookies.

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2 cups of soft sugar, 1 cup shortening, half butter, 2 eggs, 2 teaspoonfuls soda,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup warm water, 1 cup molasses, 1 cup raisins, 1 teaspoonful ext. cloves and cinnamon, 5 cups flour, dropped from spoon on baking tin, not touching one another.

### From the Woods.

It is a little late for the suggestion, but I would like to tell you about my fern bowl in a three inch pot, (unglazed). I planted three very small pine wood ferns, setting them in the centre of a low six inch bowl, then planting nine more ferns in the bowl around the pot, it makes a very pretty table piece.

Among other woodland treasures, do any of you bring in and dry the plant called smooth nettle, which when steeped as a tea, and taken cold, is so very effective in all bowel complaints, must be gathered before frost.—Subscriber.

### Cleaning Pillows.

MRS. W. M. KNOER.

Now I want to tell my way of cleaning feather pillows. Heat to boiling enough water to plunge in one pillow. To every 3 buckets of water add  $\frac{3}{4}$  pound of good laundry soap and when boiling add 3 tablespoonfuls of common coal oil, plunge in the pillow, feathers and all and let them boil until the ticking looks nice and clean, rinse through about 4 or 5 waters and blue in the usual way, wring out best you can and hang out to dry. Shake up several times a day, in fact the oftener the better it will be. Let hang out until thoroughly dry and you will find your pillow as soft and nice as can be. Some are afraid to do this for fear of spoiling the feathers, but I think it improves them. If the feathers are old and seem hard I know it does. Besides it is so much more sanitary. Don't you know that the feathers get about as dirty as the tickings? Indeed they do and need washing just as much.

I treat the cotton from dirty comforts the same way, then a "Genuine Southern Mammy" cards it up again and I put it in my quilts that I quilt and it is just as good as new, while I get new cotton to put in my comforts. This means a big saving to one who must count the nickles and dimes before spending, like some must do.

### To Clean Granite Pots.

LENORA F. CHANNON.

Pots and kettles which have had food burned on them: Fill with cold water to which is added a good handful of washing soda. Set on back part of range and after two or three days it will wash as clean as new, without scraping the enamel off. Tin can be treated the same way and be made to look like new.

### Hints on Butter-making.

If you buy a wooden churn be sure to scald thoroughly before using the first time.

After each churning scald again and before churning scald and cool with cold water. If through carelessness or otherwise the churn does not smell sweet add a teaspoonful of baking soda to scalding water and wash thoroughly. If the butter is washed several times before it is removed from the churn the labor of working will be reduced.

Allow one and one-half ounces of salt to each pound of butter. Work it about one minute and then stand in a cool place for fifteen minutes. Repeat this a number of times until the salt is thoroughly incorporated.

After milking cool milk as soon as possible; stand pans in cold running water if accessible. Skim it before the

milk is solid and stir the last skimming in order that all the cream will ripen evenly. Do not allow cream to become stale. Churn at 60°.

### Recipe for Quince Honey.

MRS. ED. LEITCH.

Take of granulated sugar exactly 5 lbs., 1 pint hot water, alum size of grain of corn or a scant half teaspoonful of pulverized alum, 2 medium sized quinces and one sour apple. Pour the pint of boiling water over the five pounds of sugar in a six quart preserving kettle (previously dissolving alum in the water to prevent sugar, from graining) set over slow fire and stir until sugar is dissolved then pare and grate one quince and stir into the syrup then pare and grate the other quince and stir in. Lastly pare and grate the apple and stir in by which time the mixture should be boiling. Watch the clock when it begins to boil and continue a brisk boil for exactly fifteen minutes. The result will be two quarts of delicious honey which must be turned out immediately into jelly glasses or other convenient receptacles. This ritle has been successfully used in five families for the past four years and has never been known to fail. Directions must be followed *explicitly*.

### Raising Raspberries.

MR. DANIEL AFFALTER.

Every family should find a small piece of ground and raise enough raspberries for their own use. The ground should be gotten ready late in the fall or early in the spring; set out as soon as the ground is fit in the spring; set about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  by 7 feet apart. When the first sprouts shoot out and they get 2 feet high they should be clipped back 4 inches so as to shoot out more stalks. They should be kept cultivated and kept clean of sods, so insects cannot work in the stem. It is a good idea to mulch with coarse manure in the fall to protect the young plants from freezing out. The following spring go in and clip out the weaker ones leaving 3 or 4 to the hill and then clip branches back within a foot of the cones and then when the leaves come you will have nice healthy stalks, then cultivate and they are ready to crop. I like the Kansas Raspberry for all around use. For red berry I like Cuthbert. They bring the highest prices in market.

### Household Hints.

MRS. J. T. YOUNG.

Oil stains should be washed out in cold water.

Always keep fat in tin never in earthen or agate ware.

Try washing the hands with mustard water to remove strong odors.

A little borax put in the water in which red-bordered towels are washed will prevent them from fading.

To remove ink stains from the fingers dampen them slightly and rub the spots with the sulphur end of a match.

A few drops of oil of lavender in a bowl half filled with very hot water will give a delightful sense of freshness to a room.

Brooms should be dipped once every week in strong soap suds. This treatment keeps them from getting brittle and makes them much easier on carpets.

To remove ink or iron mold stains wet them with milk and cover with salt. Powdered pipe clay mixed with water will remove oil stains from wall paper.

Leather belts or boots which have been water soaked may be softened by rubbing plentifully with coal oil. If the leather is very much soiled wash it first with good hot soap suds.

To keep silver which is not often used from turning dark, keep the articles in cotton flannel bags or boxes with tissue paper and small bags filled with bits of gum camphor packed among them.





## Our Family Physician



NOTE—Those of our readers who have perplexing questions to ask are invited to send them in, Address Family Physician, care of Vick's Family Magazine

I have been troubled with biliousness for four years, and would like to know if there is anything which would really cure it. I have taken treatment from a good doctor, also tried several kinds of patent medicine, but am just as bad as ever. I have to take physic every day. I have pain under shoulder blades most of the time, also have a very muddy complexion. And what can be done to break children under six of wetting the bed? I think they are naturally weak. They are perfectly healthy in every other way.—Mrs. B. S., Nebr.

Dear Madam—There is something wrong about your habits. If you drink a good deal of tea or coffee take less. Exercise every day and spend some time in out-of-door walking. Eat an apple or two each day. Eat cereals and not pork or other greasy food for breakfast. Eat very lightly of pie and cake. Take a cold sponge bath every morning. Use an enema of warm water every other night as much as the bowel will hold. There is no specific for constipation though there are many remedies some of which have been mentioned in these columns for temporary relief. It is hard work to make people realize that this trouble is due to wrong habits and the cause should be sought out and removed. Any other method is as foolish as to try to heal a punctured wound while the sliver is still in the wound.

Some children are very prone to this sad habit and I believe it is largely owing to neglect at the critical time. From fourteen to eighteen months of age they should be carefully taught proper habits in the day time. If this period is neglected nature seems to become obtuse and there is trouble later. There are others that only have trouble at night. Why I do not know. Indigestion and taking cold are aggravating causes. These children are very susceptible to colds and should have a morning sponge off with cold salt water and rubbed after until thoroughly warm. Dress feet legs and arms warmly when out of doors. Give them plenty of fruit to eat daily and lots of out-door exercise. Feed them very little pie, cake, or meat. I would recommend the Dox Remedy Co. of this city who have on hand a splendid remedy for this trouble which they will supply to any one for twenty-five cents a phial by mail.

I have a trouble with my heart which hangs over me and makes me very nervous. It comes on more often in the night, with an irregular or intermittent pulse, which lasts from twelve to twenty-four hours, then suddenly comes around all right. I am told that I have some enlargement of the heart but otherwise it is normal. I have a great deal of gas in the stomach which I suspect is the immediate cause of the attacks, although they have been brought on by unusual exercise. Is there anything that I can do to ward off these attacks, and is there anything I can do when they come? Do these symptoms argue a weak heart? Do you think a little Rhine wine at dinner would hurt me as I do not drink tea or coffee. Do you think the Doucettes which you recommend to another correspondent would help me when I feel liable to an attack.—Mrs. R. B. H.

Mrs. R. B. H.—You have what I call an irritable heart. Avoid constipation. Take plenty of moderate exercise. The Doucettes would be excellent to ward off attacks. Take one every ten minutes until the symptoms subside. Also put ten drops of tincture of nux-vomica and ten grains—as much as will lay on a nickel—of pure powdered borax in four ounces (eight tablespoonfuls) of water and take a teaspoonful every two hours for one day; skip two days then take a day and so repeat until all is used. The symptoms do not argue a weak heart in the ordinary sense, but a heart whose equilibrium is easily upset, like some people who are neither sick nor sickly. Let us compare it to people whose nerves are easily upset and so call it a nervous heart. I doubt if you need the Rhine wine. The nux preparation will serve you far better.

Kittie F. says she has gas and pain in bowels all the time. Bowels too loose and small, unsatisfactory movements. Often slight nausea. Nervous, bad feeling in head. Often feels pulsations all over her and in ears and head. Urine scanty and burning. General feeling of misery. Some cough with yellow expectoration. General feeling of soreness.

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We have a young baby at our house that cries when we wash it or handle it,—wants to nurse all the time. The stools contain mucus and undigested food although she is breast fed. Her mouth inside and tongue look smooth and red, with small, white patches. Is breaking out with a fine red rash and the anus is red and sore.—W. F. A.

That baby has what is called red gum, sprue, or thrush. It is not uncommon, is by many found difficult to treat. The baby is lame and sore and should be handled very carefully. Am glad to say I can help you out right away. After every movement of bowels the baby

should be washed with two teaspoonfuls of powdered borax dissolved in a pint of warm water. Wash the mouth out with a borax solution of half this strength. Also let the baby suck a clean rag or sponge wrung out of this last solution.

To a tablespoonful of shaved or pounded (not powdered) rhubarb add a quart of pure water and set to steep on the back of stove. Do not boil; and steep until reduced to a pint, strain, boil five minutes, add a cup of sugar, then add two teaspoonfuls of baking soda. If thin and watery or tastes bitter add more sugar; it should be syrupy and pleasant. Put in small bottles, rather than one large one, cork and put in a cool, dark place. Thus it keeps better than if using from whole in large bottle. Give a baby of a month or less, four or five drops three times daily. Add four drops for each month. Over a year, one-half to one teaspoonful. If the given dose does not relieve, increase the dose; it is harmless. This is the greatest medicine ever prepared for babies and children. Using it you can keep them well. For colic, for catarrh of stomach and bowels shown by frequent vomiting and by slime and undigested food in stool or vomitus. You will be amazed at what it will do. Every mother of children should know of and use it. The nursing mother of baby with any of above troubles should take

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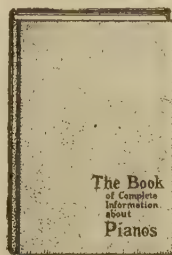
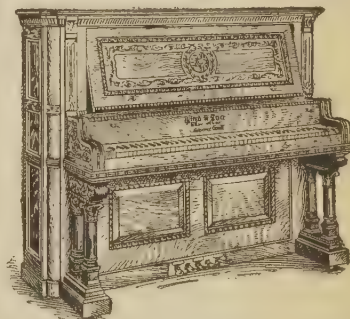
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## Lamey's Pard.

(A story for young and old.)

BY SUSIE E. KENNEDY.

"Got your basket full, Pard?"  
"Chock block."  
"What'er you goin' to do now?"  
"Go home."  
"Can't you wait fer a feller?"  
"Yes and lend a hand, too."  
"How much do you lack?"  
"Only a bit."

Down went both boys again among the cinders, and in a few moments they were on the way to what each called home.

"Pard."  
"I'm here."  
"Would you have gone for to help me, if I hadn't been a cripple?"  
"Mebbe yes, and mebbe no."  
"Pard."  
"What'll you have?"  
"You're awful good to me."  
"Shut up. Here's your stopin' place. Be over tonight?"  
"Mebbe. Depends."  
"Your mother?"  
"Yes."  
"How is she?"  
"Wuss."

The boys separated, and the one called Lamey crept softly up a flight of rickety stairs, and after depositing his pile of coals in a little closet stepped lightly across the desolate looking room and knelt beside a ragged couch.

"Aint asleep, eh?" said the boy kindly, passing his grimy hand over his mother's rough hair.

"No Tim, my head aches dreadfully."  
"Poor Mumsee. Wish we had some tea. It allers used to cure your headache."

"It wouldn't cure this kind."  
"What would, then?"  
"Nothing but a doctor."  
"I'm going to get one."  
"No, you aint. He won't come with-out pay."

"Mebbe he will," and before his mother could stop him, Tim was on his way to the office of Dr. West. Fortunately the doctor was within and Tim walked boldly up to his desk and accosted him with "My name is Silas Timothy Walker. I live at number 65 Mill Street. My mother's sick and needs a doctor. We haven't any money, but I can work. You go see her, and whenever you have a job, I'm your man."

"Man!" sniffed the doctor, "You must be all of nine years old."

"Nine!" exclaimed Tim. "I'm eleven next June sir, and I've done a good deal of work in my day, I have."

"Undoubtedly. What number did you say?"  
"Sixty-five."

"I'll be right along."  
Tim stood at the foot of the stairs when the doctor came down. "Is she very sick?" whispered the boy trembling with excitement.

"Not very," said the doctor kindly patting the little fellow on the head.

"Here are two dollars. Go buy some bread and steak, or anything else your mother thinks she can eat."

"But doctor, I can't—"  
"Yes you can, go on and do as I tell you," and with a wave of the hand he disappeared around the corner.

Tim's first thought was to go straight to the market and get as much as two dollars would buy, but upon second thought he decided to find Pard that he might profit by his superior judgment. "Mumsee shan't know a thing about it. I'm going to give her a surprise," he said to himself as he hurried off to Grant Alley.

He found his friend in the house. "Come on out," he whispered. "Got something to tell ye. Look here!" waving the two crisp bills in the air.

"My! Where'd you git um? What you goin' to do with um?"  
"Goin' to buy some tea for Mumsee. Doctor give um to me."

"Doctor. What doctor?"  
"Dr. West. I went and got him for Mumsee, and promised to pay with work. But he give me these and told me to run along and get somethin' good for my mother, tea and stuff. I want you to go along and tell me what to buy."

"I don't know, more'n nothin'. I earns the money and Julie she buys the

things. But she's gone off for all day, so we can't ask her."

"O come along. Guess you and I can buy two dollars wuth of vittles. I'm goin' to have some tea anyway. S'pose Munson keeps it? Let's go in."

Tim's courage failed when he reached the counter and nudging his friend, he whispered, "You ask."

"No, you."  
"How do they buy tea, by the pound or quart?"

"Dunno. Quart, I guess."  
Turning to the clerk and putting on an air of bravado, Tim announced that he would take two quarts of tea.

"Two wats?" asked the puzzled grocer.

"Two quarts of tea, if you please."

"But we don't sell tea by the quart."

"I'll take two pounds then."

"What kind? We have it from twenty cents to a dollar a pound."

"A dollar! My, guess that won't do. Take all the money you've got," exclaimed Pard, surprised into expressing his mind.

"Are you sure you want so much?" inquired the grocer kindly. "We have a very good tea at fifty cents. Suppose you take half a pound, and if your folks like it you can come back for more."

To this Tim agreed, and when the purchase was made and paid for, Pard whispered as they stepped out of the store "You've got a lot left. Where next?"

"The doctor said bread and steak."  
"To Brown's market, then. Come on."

"How much shall I get? Two or three pounds?"

"O, a pound is a plenty," answered Pard with the manner of one walking upon familiar ground. "I bought a pound once and Sis and I had all we wanted. Now you want bread and—what else?"

"Butter. We might have got that at Munson's. And milk? Don't people sometimes use milk in their tea? I want Mumsee's tea to be real good, for I know she'll care more about that than any thing else."

"Yes, you'll want milk and you'll want sugar. Munson's is the place, come on."

"Anything to put it in?" inquired the clerk, when they asked for a quart of milk.

"No sir."  
"If I lend you a can do you suppose you will ever bring it back?"

"Course I will," said Lamey. "I'll get it back inside of an hour."

"All right. See that you do. Is there anything more?"

"O yes, ever so much. I want some butter and sugar and bread, and—Is, that all, Pard?"

"Don't think of anything more."

After much wondering as to quantities and prices the boys started for home with their arms full of groceries and hearts swelling with pride.

"Say Pard, let's count up," whispered Lamey as they turned the corner at Mill street, "mebbe we can git Mumsee somethin' more."

Laying down their bundles each ransacked his pocket for change, as each had had a hand in the buying.

"Here's a nickel and two pennies. Yes, and a ten," announced Lamey, proudly displaying the change in his grimy palm.

"And I've got two nickles and a ten," said Pard. "But I wouldn't stop to get any thing more now. I'd hurry home and start the fire and git a cup of tea a goin'." And he sure you wash your hands 'fore you go to cookin'.

Julie allus scrubs her hands like everything 'fore she touches the vittles, and her hands never git so black as yours and mine o' course."

It would be folly to try to put the mother's joy into words, and it is needless to say that the rest of the money was expended wisely. Doctor West made several visits and took it upon himself to see that she was provided with necessary food, even sending his housekeeper over every day to look out for her. In

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a few weeks she was upon her feet again anxiously looking forward to the time when she could take up her old work, which with the exception of the few pennies which Lamey had been able to earn now and then, had been her only support for years. But she had never been sick. Had never incurred a doctor's bill. What should she do? They had barely lived, how could they ever hope to get any money ahead.

All unknown to either of them, Lamey's pard, had been at work in the doctor's office ever since Mrs. Brown's illness looking forward to the day when he could place a receipted bill in the hand of his little friend. And the doctor, looking on in admiration, at this David and Johnathan friendship had allowed Pard to come in for an hour in the morning and another in the evening, paying him good wages for doing chores which had not interfered with his daily labor. This was the reason that Lamey, going day after day to the doctor's office to look for a job, always came home with a disappointed look upon his face.

"Are you sure you are doing the best thing, Pard? Hadn't you better let Lamey work out a little of it himself? He looks dreadfully disappointed when I tell him I have nothing for him to do."

"He's too little to work, and besides he's lame. It'll be all right by and by," asserted Pard with such a determined air that the doctor thought that it would not be best to interfere again. To be sure, he was in no great straits for money, and had not intended to charge for his services, any way, but here was something a little out of the ordinary, and the doctor decided to watch.

Lamey had not seen his friend for several days, when, early one morning, his mother was awakened by a timid knock at the door.

"It's me, Tom's sister Julie, came in a whisper through the crack of the door. 'He says Lamey is to come over right away. He says he's got somethin' fer 'im.'"

"Mrs. Brown hastened to unlock the door. 'Is anything the matter, Julie?'"

"Yes, he's sick. Doctor's bin there all night."

"I'll be there in jest a minute, Julie. Tell 'im I'm comin'," called Lamey from an inner room.

"Is any one there but the doctor?" asked Mrs. Brown.

"Yes, Granny Mills has bin there all night, too."

"May I come, Julie?"

"Oh, if you would, missis, fer Granny has got to go home at seven 'clock."

Poor Pard! He was indeed very sick. Good Dr. West was at his wit's end. He could not even account for the illness.

Granny Mills suggested that perhaps the boy had been working too hard, but the doctor shook his head. "Possibly," he said, but he hardly thought that work had much to do with it.

"Quick Lamey," gasped the poor boy as his friend entered the room. "See!" and he reached out his hand in which lay a crumpled paper. "It's all paid. I didn't mean you should know it. Read it! That's what people get when they've paid a debt."

Poor Lamey spread out the paper and tried to read, but his eyes filled with tears and all he could make out was his own name—Silas Timothy Walker. What did it all mean? He tried to ask, but only blurted out "You ain't very sick, be ye, Pard? Jest say ye aint."

"Guess I be. I don't mind only for you—and Julie."

The sick boy turned his eyes upon his sister and then upon the doctor.

"Yes, Tom, I understand. Your sister shall be my own little girl."

A look of gratitude passed over the boy's face, succeeded by one of expectation as his eyes sought the face of his friend.

Again the doctor under-tood. "I will try to be as faithful a friend as you have been."

"Pard! Pard! What's he mean? I don't want no friend but you. Pard!"

The crumpled paper rattled nervously in Lamey's little hand.

"It's all paid," whispered Pard.

## An Easter Party.

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onions, coffee or green wheat will look very nice.

Fancy figured calicos tied about the eggs while hot and these then dipped into a cup of strong vinegar, will make very odd looking offerings. If eggs be covered with a thin coat of mucilage and rolled in gold, silver or bronze dust, they will look quite handsome.

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The empty egg shells may also be utilized for souvenirs. By making a small hole in each end of an egg, the contents are easily blown out. These empty shells, fancifully decorated may be strung upon baby ribbons. Or an artificial blossom—yellow—or ribbon rosette may be glued over the openings and the egg suspended by a ribbon tied about its center.

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When you are lost in the woods, as I hope you never will be, there is one sure way to get out, if you are lucky. Travel until you come to a little stream and follow it down. Nine times out of ten it will bring you on your way out, or it will lead you out by its own windings. I have been spared many a long, cold night in the woods without food or shelter by this maneuver. *Selected.*

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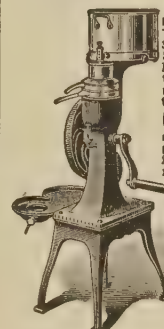
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## Hints to Housekeepers.

Never put salt into soup when cooking until it is skimmed, as salt prevents the scum from rising.

An embroiderer advises that an old silver thimble worn smooth by long usage is the best to use in work with flosses, which require great care to keep from roughening.

If stoves are put away for the summer, they should be put in as dry a place as possible, in order to prevent their rusting. It is a good plan to leave ashes in the stove, as they will absorb the moisture, and thus help prevent the inside of the stove from rusting.

Butter taffy is an old fashioned candy of the simpler kind. Boil together one cupful of brown sugar, two teaspoonfuls of vinegar, one tablespoonful of molasses and butter the size of an egg. When it hardens in water, pour into a shallow, buttered pan and, while soft, mark in squares.

Tapestry papers are shown in excellent imitation of the genuine stuffs, but should be used with a discretionary intelligence. They absorb light ravenously and are the poorest of backgrounds for pictures. In a too light room, where it is not intended to have many pictures, they are useful and attractive.

Put all the scraps through a meat chopper; then set over the fire in enough cold water to cover them. Cook until the fat is melted and the water is almost evaporated. Then strain, pressing all the fat from the pieces. Put this away in a cool place, where it will form into a solid cake. When it can be lifted from any water that may have remained in the bottom, put it with any other fat that you may have that requires clarifying, and do it all at once.

The most delicious of all salads is water cress cut from under the ice in any brook where it grows. Even wild watercress, taken from mountain brooks, is nearly as nice as cultivated. Serve the cress on the breakfast and dinner table as a salad. It is far better medicine than any "mess of herbs," which was once prepared regularly for those who were "ailin' in the spring". This is the only salad which, according to all authorities, should never be eaten with oil. Trim it a little, dry it after washing, add a little salt and some pepper, and sprinkle two saladspoonfuls of good vinegar over a small salad bowl of watercress.

Food that has little odor itself and food that absorbs odors readily should be placed at the bottom of the refrigerator. All foods with a strong odor should be kept on the top shelves. Sour milk or cream should not be kept in the refrigerator. Salad dressing, tartar sauce and celery should be covered closely or they will flavor everything that is shut up with them. Pineapples, strawberries and raspberries should not be shut up in a common ice chest with milk or cream. In the refrigerators where there is a circulation of dry air, butter, milk, cream and other delicate foods may be kept in the lower part of the refrigerator, and the fruits, vegetables, etc., with strong flavors and odors may be kept on the top shelves. If arranged in this way, there will be little danger that one kind of food will absorb the flavor or odor of another.

## Hints for House-Cleaning.

Strong brine may be used to advantage in washing bedsteads. Hot alum water is also good for this purpose.

For cleaning out the corners in furniture and window sashes use hardwood pointed skewers, such as butchers use.

If oilcloth is laid down where the sun will shine on it, much of it will stick fast to the floor unless paper is laid under it.

A teaspoonful of good cider vinegar added to one gill of pure raw linseed oil is said to make an excellent furniture polish.

New paint stains can be removed with turpentine; old stains must be first softened with butter and then rubbed with benzine.

Rub white spots on furniture with essence of peppermint or spirits of camphor, or hold a hot plate from the stove over them.

A tablespoonful of ammonia in a gallon of warm water will often restore color in carpets. It will also remove white-wash from them.

Unsightly finger marks disappear from varnished furniture when rubbed with sweet oil, and from oiled wood if kerosene is rubbed on the spots.

Furniture needs cleaning as much as other woodwork. It may be washed with warm soapsuds, quickly wiped dry and then rubbed with an oily cloth.

Carpets should be thoroughly beaten on the wrong side first, and then on the right side, after which spots may be removed by the use of ox gall or ammonia and water.

The following directions are given for a home-made substitute for linoleum on the kitchen floor: Take any old carpet that is whole, but too shabby for use, clean thoroughly, and tack it down smoothly on the kitchen floor. Then make a good, thick boiled starch of flour and water. Rub a coat of this starch in the carpet with a whitewash-brush, and in about twenty-four hours, or when the starch is thoroughly dry, give it a coat of paint—any color desired. Dark red is a desirable color for a kitchen. When the paint is dry, give a second coat, and you will have a cheap and durable floor-covering, equal to linoleum, at about one-fourth the cost. By giving it a coat of paint once a year it will last for years. This seems worth trying.

## A Sick-Room Hint.

In a recent case of illness in which a trained nurse was employed the pleasant air of the sick room was noticeable. When comment was made the nurse explained how it was managed. A few pieces of brown paper had been soaked in saltpetre water and allowed to dry. When occasion required a piece of this was laid in a tin pan kept for the purpose (the coal scuttle would do as well), a handful of dried lavender flowers laid upon it and a match applied. The aroma was particularly refreshing and agreeable. Another suggestion in the same line applies to the use of lavender in another form. A few drops of oil of lavender poured into a glass of very hot water will purify the air of a room almost instantly. This bit of knowledge is useful to the hostess whose dinner must be served in a small dining-room near the kitchen. If the mixture is made just before dinner is announced, by the time the company enters the room will be filled with a faint, intangible, but thoroughly acceptable odor of freshness, and all disagreeable stuffiness removed.—Harper's Bazar.

## Stumbling.

The horse that stumbles should not be whipped for the accident. He may stumble because he is badly shod. He may have a nervous disorder that occasionally causes him to lose control over one or another part of the nerves that are used in his complicated work of walking, trotting or running while pulling a load or holding it back. Whatever may be the cause of his stumbling, whipping the stumbler will do no good. The horse does not stumble for pleasure or through design. Stumbling is painful to him. Just why he should be tortured with a whip after his whole nervous and muscular system has been wrenched in a stumble and a struggle to keep his feet no one can tell. The whipping comes after the accident. The horse does not understand that the stinging lashing is a warning to him not to stumble again. He regards it merely as an added torture. Farmer's Guide.

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washing at all will need the water to be warm enough to take the dirt out. Soap should never be rubbed on woollen goods; indeed it should not be used. A soap jelly made by shredding any little odd bits of soap into hot water and letting it come to the boil if they are not shredded finely enough to melt without boiling, is the right thing to use, putting enough of it into the washing water to make a stiff lather.

In the case of natural wool undergarments of a grayish or drab color which seem to need a thorough cleansing, such as the above process fails to give them, they may be put in a bowl of very hot water with a little ammonia (in the proportion of a tablespoonful to a gallon and soap jelly, well covered with a board, so that no part of the garment protrudes, and left to soak for an hour. After that they will need very few additional washings, though numerous rinsings. Ammonia, however, while a valuable cleanser for natural wool garments, has a tendency to turn white flannels yellow, and even perhaps aids in shrinking them, and will take the color from red flannel.

Woolens should never be wrung or even rubbed very hard, as that pulls them out of shape; they should be either squeezed with the hands or passed through a wringer. They must be thoroughly rinsed in two or more waters, each of the same temperature as the washing water, and more especially if the water be hard softened with borax. This dissolves readily in boiling water, though not in tepid, and should be dissolved before it is added to the warm water. Flannels should be rinsed in tepid water, never cold, and dried as quickly as possible not too near the fire as heat or cold both shrink wet woolens and cause them to become hard. They must not be left hanging on the line during a shower for the same reason.

Never rub woollen things unless very dirty. In the case of stockings it is often necessary. They should be washed in rather hot water with soap jelly dissolved in it turned first on the right side and then on the wrong. Rub a little soap on to the feet and rinse in three waters. Stockings should not be washed in the same water as white flannels since the little particles of white wool left in the water stick to the dark surface.

In washing a white woollen shawl it should be done as lightly and quickly as possible in water into which a little borax has been dissolved with soap jelly, rinsed in three waters.

## Use of Kerosene.

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Kerosene will cut the accumulated grease from the drain pipe of a sink, and will keep the sink itself perfectly sweet and clean. Kerosene cuts all grease and fats generally; axle grease disappears before it and tar softens and fades away. It is so volatile that, if put in dry heat, it will quickly evaporate and leave no

stain on the fabric upon which it has been used. As a bleacher, kerosene stands high. Put half a teaspoonful into a washtub of water and then proceed with the washing after the usual method. The clothes will be whiter, sweeter and hygienic and much cleaner than they can be got without the use of the oil, for kerosene is a disinfectant. It kills all invertbreath life, so that many kinds of germs are utterly destroyed by its use.

Kerosene will clean dirty windows or mirrors, giving them a high luster. It will make dull brasses shine, if not as well as some of the acid and brickdust pastes used, still so well that a little rub frequently given will keep them in good condition, and one's hands do not suffer by the process as they do if the acids are used. After polishing brass it should be rubbed over with sweet oil and wiped dry.

In the war with insect life kerosene is a sure weapon or defense. If the kitchen table is seized upon by roaches and used as a nest for their eggs, do not burn it up after ineffective scrubbing and scaldings. Put it in the yard and soak it with kerosene. Not an egg will live. In like manner treat any insect infected furniture.

An odd and easy way to get rid of ants is to put cucumber peel around those places where they appear. The writer has yet to hear of the ant that would not flee the spot.

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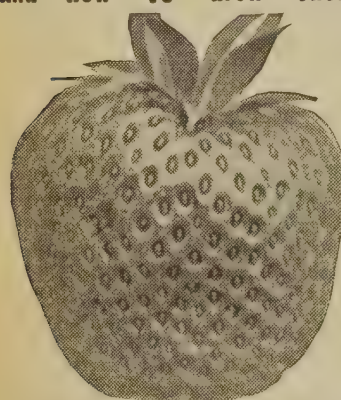


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# In The Garden



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### Spring Longings.

"Roses will bloom again,  
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Now that the seed catalogues are arriving it really makes us long for the summer, warmer days when the real work of the garden can go forward. Meanwhile it is wise to keep our eye steadily fixed upon the present duties, and wherever we can seize time by the fore lock and thereby gain a point let us grasp it good and strong.

Speaking of the catalogues, the seedsmen are doing much for the betterment of the garden enterprise; and some are offering inducements in the way of prizes that are well worth consideration. We do not advocate too much time or money being expended upon novelties except one has the leisure and means to do so. But when the venture can be judiciously made it is profitable in many ways. For the main dependence however, it is safe to keep well within the limits of old and reliable sorts; those that have succeeded best under the conditions that we are personally able to give. Whenever possible though let us sow by all waters, and thereby gain something for the harvest.

### Hot Bed Experience.

"With the market gardener a green house of some kind is almost indispensable, but for the ordinary home garden a hot bed with two to four sash frames will serve most of the requirements.

The ordinary way of heating is by manure, and the description for building has been given so often that we omit giving that. Results with us have been various; good, bad and indifferent. The most successful one with us, was our first, and the least pains was taken in its construction.

We took the material from the pile of manure just as it was thrown from the stable. The horses however, had been grain fed and the material had reached a high degree of heat.

The bed was built above ground, on the south side of a poultry house. The manure was spread evenly and well tamped with the fork; and also well sprinkled with hot water. As we recall it, the filling was about eighteen inches in depth, and covered with glass. It was wonderful how the tomatoes, cabbage, lettuce and radishes grew in that warm moist soil. We might mention that upon the first four inches of soil, we placed a layer of fine ground moss, and then an inch of sifted soil. Upon this the seeds were sown and covered with another layer of moss.

Beds prepared in this way require but little watering, as the moss retards evaporation and the water applied to the manure will arise from below in the form of steam. In some instances damping off might cause trouble; but in the case cited no damage was done; and the way the vegetables flourished was my heart's delight."—M. N. E. Petoskey, Mich.

The writer says that less pains were taken in the construction of the bed described than any he ever made. Now it may be that the success was largely due to the layers of moss used. Personally, I have had no experience with such preparation; but believe the moss would serve two purposes viz. to hold the moisture and also prevent baking of the soil. Either or both are the cause of much trouble and very likely the moss may have largely remedied both difficulties. The damping off might cause trouble sometimes; but if so more frequent and thorough ventilation would probably help out. We suggest that others if favorably situated try the plan to some extent and report results.—J. E. M.

The same writer also gives us some hints on

### Hot Bed Care.

"For best results the plants require careful watching, and in this, experience is our safest teacher. However, there are some points which if borne in mind will aid us in our work, and prevent many mistakes which otherwise might creep in. First then, as to maintaining heat.

The degree of heat and the length of time that it may be maintained are almost entirely dependent upon the quantity and quality of the manure used. Hence the importance of a plentiful supply of heating material of best quality. Also a bed constructed below the surface will maintain a higher and more even temperature and of longer duration than one built upon the surface. The soil temperature also influences the heat, and thus sand is preferable to clay.

Excessive watering tends to deaden fermentation in the manure and thus lowers the temperature. At the same time if the heat is too fierce, copious watering will be helpful.

### Moisture.

Much care is necessary in holding a proper amount of moisture. Dribbling should be avoided. Enough water should be applied at each watering to thoroughly moisten or wet the soil and thus it should be left until more is required.

Avoid watering in the evening as heavy drenching lowers the temperature, and tender plants are liable to become chilled especially in cold weather. The water should be at a temperature not lower than sixty degrees to sixty-five degrees and should be applied with a sprinkler or otherwise so that it shall fall in small drops or spray.

### Ventilation.

This, too, is a matter of much importance as insufficient air causes a weak and unhealthy growth of the plants. Excessive humidity of air in the bed is to be avoided, and ventilation may be required to rectify this. Again it may be required to reduce the temperature. During bright sunny days the sash should be raised as the temperature rises rapidly in such cases and the plants are liable to sun-scauld. Especially is this true after long continued cloudy weather; and much caution is necessary. Excessive heat and dead or impure air in the bed causes a weak spindling growth, and this brings us to

### Hardening Off.

In plain English, this simply means gradually accustoming the plants in the warmer air of the bed to the outside temperature in which they must finally mature. Without properly hardening, the plants would receive a check when set in the open ground from which they would never recover. This process consists in little by little increasing the ventilation until the sash may be entirely removed during the day time and later on at night. Extreme care must be taken with tender plants like tomato, pepper, egg etc., to make haste slowly else the plants would receive a check in the bed or worse, get tipped by the frost. Cabbage, cauliflower and lettuce on the other hand may be so well hardened that they will even endure frost and in this condition they are always at their best and will safely stand early transplanting. We prefer cold frames with cloth covers to finish off the plants. With these there is no danger from sun-scauld as sometimes occurs with glass; and the plants require far less watering.

### Transplanting.

This is also an essential part of the work; and is best done when the second set of leaves appear. When allowed to

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## In the Garden

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remain in a crowded condition they become spindling and of course, are weakened to considerable extent. What we desire, is a short stocky plant and transplanting gives this quality. Thinning will to some extent give us this; but resetting is best. Then too by this method a much larger number of plants may be started in a single section or bed. Two transplantings are better than one as we get more stocky plants and stronger root growth.

### Protection.

The beds should be sheltered from north and west winds and the south side of buildings is usually a good place for them. There is sometimes danger from mice if the buildings are infested, and often much damage is done by them. So it is best to look well to that point and provide temporary shelter if there should be danger. A tight board fence, or corn stalks set up on north and west sides make excellent shelter.

A cover for the beds is also necessary especially for the early season. Straw matting, old carpets or blankets all make good covers. Old burlap or gumy sacking doubled and padded with straw also answers well.—M. N. E.

### In Conclusion.

In this number we have given in most part, the experience of others. This is often good practice as in a multitude of council there is safety. The true idea is to "prove all things holding fast to that which is good." Were my pen that of a ready writer, I would write fast and long to encourage every reader of Vick's to double their diligence in the garden making this spring. There is work for you, there is work for me, so let there be no lack of effort this year in making the home garden as nearly ideal as possible.  
—John Elliott Morse.

### Correspondence.

M. N. E. Petoskey Mich., writes: "Our onion crop was a fizzle owing to ravages from the onion maggot. We harvested only three or four bushels from one-fourth acre, and the ground occupied was an eyesore most of the season. We shall use new ground next year located some distance from any that has been previously occupied by the crop. The new bed has been plowed and partially fitted, and besides being new ground is fairly rich. We shall make a heavy application of fertilizer, and sow the seed as soon as the frost is out of the ground so that the plants may get an early start.

Our late cabbage (about 1,000) we neglected to transplant until very late in July. The plants were spindling when set out; but were well tended and several hundred marketable heads were harvested. These were placed in our nearby woods, heads down and covered with leaves to keep them dry. With the first snow they will be covered beyond the reach of any change in temperature. This is an experiment with us in keeping cabbage, and we shall carefully watch results."

We certainly hope you will keep close tab on the cabbage and later on, report results for benefit of others.—J. E. Morse.

"The most profitable and satisfactory of all, was our tomato crop. Our first sowing of seed was destroyed and the second seeding was made so late (about April 5), that we hardly expected to ripen the fruits in paying quantities. However, we sold sixty-one dollars worth and ate quantities besides."

"We are now using celery that was not set in the trenches until August. The seed was sown in the hot bed at same time as second sowing of tomatoes through our wife's solicitations. She transplanted the celery plants into flats where they received no further care than to be watered sufficiently to keep them growing slowly. We had very little faith that we should ever harvest any celery worth eating, but in this we were happily disappointed; for we have some large stalks of as fine quality as we ever tasted. We are indebted to heavy fertilizing, thorough culture and timely rains for the results. Upon the approach of freezing weather, we banked the celery with earth except the very tops, and later on covered all with carrot tops

and manure. Later on we covered with earth; and the first snows (which in this latitude come early and stay late,) will cover it beyond danger of freezing. Thus we shall leave it until desired for use."

Below we insert in part, a letter from a subscriber which not only tells of serious trials but hope for the future. From such we are glad to hear, that if possible we may lend help and encouragement.

G. S. E., North Yakima, Wash.: "I wish to give you the plan I have matured for forcing rhubarb. I have ordered the roots and by this mail have received bill of lading and expect them in a few days. I have built a single board shed four feet high at eaves and six feet in the center, and covered the sides with two thicknesses of building paper, and roof is of tar paper. The structure will be fourteen by sixteen feet, which will give ample room for the plants.

After receiving the roots, I intend to leave them out doors until thoroughly frozen as we often have zero weather here.

I also intend to build a bench on south side of shed, three feet from floor; and just before the forcing season is over, shall plant early vegetables and stretch canvass over the side as our springs here are cold and backward. I do not know whether early cucumbers can be grown in this way; but I shall try them.

I know nothing about gardening; but after fifteen years spent in pursuit of my wife's health, I lost her last winter. With five children, and myself a cripple, with the savings of the better part of my life all spent, I am looking and hoping for a start in life again, through gardening and forcing rhubarb."

I am sure I make no mistake in extending the sympathies and best wishes of all our readers to the writer of this letter.  
John Elliot Morse.

### Lima Beans

I had ten hills of lima beans which bore a second crop. After a good yield the first time, I took a spading fork and spaded between the hills, loosening up the soil and letting in air and moisture. They responded faithfully by the most luxurious foliage and blossoms looking like huge bouquets for awhile, but now full of large pods and fit to shell; and this on the 14th of October.

Scalding the pods makes it much easier to shell the beans.

—Mrs. Sallie A. Humes.

### Potato Onions Profitable.

In the fall of 1903 I selected a plot ten by forty feet in the family garden and covered it with well rotted manure about one inch deep. Then I broke the ground up thoroughly and worked it with hoe and garden rake until I had a good seedbed of finely pulverized earth. Rows were then marked off about ten inches apart and deep enough to have the onions covered about one inch when the furrows were leveled up.

I set this bed with large potato onions, not the sets, placing them about six inches apart in the row. Onions of this size will grow at least one large one and a number of small ones, or sets, around it the first year. In one season the smaller ones will grow large enough for table use or for planting another year.

After the plants were covered I hauled rich earth from the woodyard and spread it over the entire bed about one-half inch deep. Nothing more was done until spring, when I hoed them twice. This was the only cultivation they received.

In July, after the tops were all dead and the onions well matured, I harvested eight bushels of large onions and thirty-five gallons of small ones or sets from this bed. The large onions sold at one dollar a bushel and the sets at forty cents a gallon, which made the gross receipts twenty-two dollars. The expenses were three dollars for onions to start with, and two days' work, or, two dollars for one hand to plant, cultivate and harvest them, making a total of five dollars. This leaves a net profit of seventeen dollars on 400 square feet of ground, which is at the rate of \$1,850 per acre.

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## Correspondence.

Winter protection for young trees.—J. W. C., New Brighton Minn.—"The plan I adopted for young fruit trees, I think is a good idea. A frame was made of lath and filled in with oak leaves. For uprights, the lath were cut in two pieces, two feet in length. For crosspieces, they were cut in six pieces eight inches long. Three of the long pieces were nailed to two of the short with shingle nails. Thus we had a piece of frame eight inches wide and two feet long. Three of these were used for each tree, tied together with binder twine, and stuffed with the oak leaves. When it is desired to remove the frames the strings can be cut and allowed to fall on the ground and the frames are preserved for next season's use.

To cover rose bushes, I used crates made of lath and covered with boards. These also were filled with leaves. The height was regulated by the size of the bushes which were set last spring and were not yet very large. The south sides of the crates which are made square are thirty inches high, and the north sides twelve. Any kind of old boards are nailed on for a roof, and the tops of the bushes secured to the highest part of the crates, and the boxes are stuffed with oak leaves. The leaves are gathered by raking into piles in clean places in the woods and then onto canvass cloth."

I see but one difficulty with this plan; and that is the danger of mice harboring in the leaves and gnawing the trees. No doubt it will protect the trees from the cold which is the evident object; but it seems that there would be danger of inviting the mice. We will be very glad if J. W. C., will give us an account of this when his trees are uncovered (J. E. M.).

The following came to hand too late to be of service last fall but if filed away it will be useful for future reference.

An Illinois correspondent asks "When must vegetable and perennial seeds be planted? Must it be early enough for them to germinate and form plants before winter, and do they require protection?" Vegetable seeds as onions, spinach, cabbage, lettuce, etc., should be sown early enough to form well established plants and should be protected. The two former should be sown in open ground from late in August to middle of September owing to locality and should be protected with coarse litter of some kind. The latter named as cabbage, etc., should be sown in cold frames and protected when cold weather comes.

Flower seeds may be sown early enough to form plants and then be protected by cold frames or otherwise. They may also be sown late enough that they will not germinate until spring, and then of course, they will not require protection. John Elliott Morse.

## Johnie's Reckoning.

I've thought of such a jolly plan! The calendar, you know, Seems quite unfinished, for months keep spilling over so. Now, should they all have just four weeks, the pages would look neat, And surplus days together form another month complete. An extra month with one odd day—oh, wouldn't it be prime, If this were done, and added on to our vacation time!

Caroline Evans in St. Nicholas.

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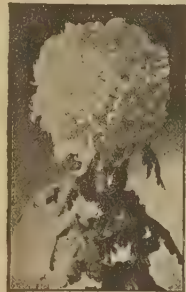
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## FRUIT NOTES

### Answers By H. E. Van Deman.

In this column Mr. Van Deman will answer  
questions of our readers each month. Be free to  
ask questions about knotty problems. Address  
Fruit Column, Vick's Magazine.

#### About Strawberries.

What would be a good list of straw-  
berries for home use for this section  
which is in northern Ohio, and how and  
when should they be planted?—A. R. L.

Northern Ohio is a very good region  
for growing strawberries, but no better  
than many others, and a list of varieties  
that would be suitable there would serve  
for a large part of the country.

Beginning with the very early kinds  
there is none that will do better than  
Michel, which is not large but of good  
flavor. It is also a very strong grower  
and bears reasonably well. Excelsior  
is very early but the fruit is very tart.  
Glen Mary is excellent and so is Dunlap.  
Splendid, Bubach, Warfield and Haver-  
land.

The best time to set the plants is as  
early in the spring as the ground can be  
worked and the plants obtained. The  
soil must be rich if there is to be a good  
crop, and plenty of manure should be  
applied and then plowed under, and this  
followed by repeated harrowing, until  
the ground is as fine as it can be made.  
This will have an effect as long as the  
patch remains, and neglect to properly  
prepare the land will tend to defeat the  
desired object. In small lots, where  
plowing is not practicable the spade and  
garden rake will have to be used.

The rows should be not closer than  
three feet nor wider apart than four.  
The plants should be set about a foot  
apart in the row. One very important  
point about setting the plants is to press  
the earth very firmly about their roots,  
especially below the surface. This may  
be easily done with a garden trowel or  
spade. I always set the roots straight  
down their full length, which enables  
them to take hold of the moist soil  
quickly; and when they form new roots  
they will spread out nearer the surface,  
where strawberry roots naturally belong.

#### Where to Raise Fruit.

A correspondent who is a fruit grower  
and a young man with \$2,000, capital,  
now, living at Hickman, Tennessee asks  
about the best place to grow fruit. He  
is thinking of going to some other State  
or to a better part of his own State.

It is a very difficult and often a thank-  
less matter to advise others about such  
an important matter as leaving his old  
home and establishing his business else-  
where. It is often very unwise to  
change localities. Some people think  
by moving they can get rid of their  
troubles, but this is generally a mistake;  
because the difficulty usually lies within  
themselves, and when they move they  
necessarily take their main troubles  
along.

However there are places where certain  
kinds of business do not pay well and  
fruit growing is no exception. There are  
excellent fruit lands in Tennessee, as I  
know by personal inspection. Near  
Knoxville peaches, apples, grapes and  
all ordinary fruits do well and the mar-  
ket is good. If one wishes to go west  
there is no place that better apples can  
be grown than in the Hood river region  
of Oregon. The climate and soil are of  
the most favorable character. Some of  
the best apples shown by any of the  
States at the Exposition at St. Louis last  
year were from that section.

The San Juan valley of Colorado and  
the Gunnison country of the same state  
are choice locations for growing fruit.  
The vicinity of Roswell, New Mexico,  
which is in the Pecos Valley produces  
apples, pears and some other fruits of  
the highest type.

But the main thing with anyone is to  
make the best use of the opportunities at  
home before getting restless and going  
elsewhere. H. E. Van Deman.

### Small Fruits.

#### The Home Supply.

As we are in no way interested in the  
sale of fruit trees and plants, but speak  
solely from the standpoint of the better-  
ment of home surroundings, we may not  
be accused of selfish motives if we  
strongly urge upon our readers the im-  
portance of the above topic. We are not  
presuming upon a knowledge of indi-  
vidual surroundings; but only strive to  
persuade our readers everywhere to do  
what they may be able along these lines.  
To such the following suggestions may  
be helpful.

#### As to Currants.

No doubt some already have bushes  
that through lack of proper care have  
become unprofitable. As soon as the  
season will permit, go to them and give  
them a new lease of life. Tear out the  
grass and weeds, spade in a fertilizer of  
some kind and supply them with a lib-  
eral dressing of ashes either coal or wood.  
Cut out the older brush and give the  
young wood better chance. Keep the  
ground clean and this of itself will assist  
much in holding the worms in check.  
As soon as they make their appearance,  
dust freely with white hellebore when  
the dew is on.

They are easily grown from cuttings  
and the plants also may be had from  
any nurseryman. The earlier they can  
be planted out after heavy freezing is  
over the better. It requires but little  
space to furnish ample for family supply.

As to varieties, the Red Cross and  
Fay's Prolific stand at the head of the  
red sorts; and the White Dutch is unsur-  
passed as a white currant.

Gooseberries are a welcome addition to  
the family supply; and as their culture  
is identical with currants, nothing need  
be said as to that.

The Columbus, Downing and Triumph  
stand at the head of American varieties  
and no mistake will be made in planting  
either or all.

#### Strawberries.

This is the small fruit for the millions;  
and you will bear with me if I say that  
wherever conditions make it possible,  
every home should have its strawberry  
bed.

Make the ground rich as possible.  
Use commercial fertilizers if need be;  
but by no means omit the vegetable  
matter. This gives the humus which is  
a necessity so get it in some way. It is  
little use to plant strawberries on starved  
soil, and it is far easier to get the fer-  
tility into the soil before than after  
planting. So feed the ground and it will  
feed you. Just here, let me digress  
somewhat to suggest that wherever pos-  
sible, plant the rows north and south.  
This applies equally to all small fruits.  
Sunshine is a necessity for highest de-  
velopment in nearly every kind of small  
fruits, and the north and south rows get  
far more than those planted east and  
west. Plant early as possible and give  
thorough cultivation. Keep them clear  
of runners and blossoms until July. If  
growing in matted or half matted rows  
allow the runners to grow after time  
stated above and train them into the  
rows. If hill culture is desired, then

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## FARM NOTES

## Oats as a Forage Crop.

A mixed crop of oats and Canadian field peas is well worthy of a place on every farm where stock is kept. Such a mixed crop is recommended as being valuable for pasture, for cutting as a soiling crop, and, when mature, for hay. When planted in succession of about two weeks, the first planting being as early in the spring as conditions will permit, succession of highly nutritious forage is produced which is greatly relished by stock.

In comparative tests of oats and peas, oats, barley and oats, and barley, the average yields were nearly twelve, eight, 7.5, and 6.5 tons per acre, respectively. The estimated value of the food constituents per acre, calculated on the dry matter, is given as \$63.11 for oats and peas, \$57.99 for oats alone, \$43.39 for oats and barley, and \$31.99 for barley alone. —Report Secretary of Agriculture, 1904.

## Hints from the Stable.

The horse seldom fears any object unless it appears suddenly; therefore, the way to break a horse of shyness is not to whip it when it obeys the instinct of its ancestors. This only makes it worse, for it is sure to remember that if there had even been no reason for this involuntary motion, it is liable to get a whipping for it anyway. The only reasonable way to break a horse of this habit is to require it to stop whenever it shies and let it see that there is nothing to be afraid of. Man himself is not much afraid of anything he clearly sees and understands. It is the unknown, the mysterious, that which comes suddenly and takes us unawares of which we stand in fear. In cases of natural timidity in colts, or of nervousness generally, the thing to do is, of course, to train the animal to understand the harmlessness of the object of which he is generally afraid.

Keep the colt's feet rasped level. If allowed to wear uneven there will be a bad twist and strain on the soft, young joints.

## Advantages of the Silo.

A Michigan farmer who has been using a silo for several years says he can not tell exactly how much that institution has added to the income of his farm, but that he is now enabled to sell about \$200 worth of hay and grain, which was formerly fed, and keep double the number of stock he did before buying the silo. This silo has surely paid for itself, and done it in a very short time after it was put up. The saving which it has brought about in other feeds each year would more than pay for it, to say nothing about the gain made in doubling the stock carrying capacity of the farm. This farmer says that he feeds silage to cattle, horses, sheep and hogs, and sometimes chickens, with one feed a day of hay, dry corn fodder or straw. The stock all relish and crave the succulent feed and it has proved a fine ration.

Farmers' Guide.

## Protection of Farm Animals.

E. G. Lovelock, Medford, Me., tells the State Bulletin he thinks protection of farm animals from the cold needs our attention more than the question of feeding. Animals will not do as well even on the best of feed, when kept in a freezing temperature, as they will when kept warm. The inch and a half of boards and shingles on our shells of barns seem to keep out little of the cold. Were I to build a stable I would make a cement foundation that no wind could get through. I would have paper between the wall coverings, and seal up inside, leaving an air space in the walls of at least four inches. I would have plenty of windows with double sashes to let in the sun, and suitable ventilation to keep the air pure.

## Amount of Salt for Cows.

I am convinced that dairy cows on a full ration require more salt than most people are aware of, writes Colon C. Lillie in "The Michigan Farmer."

When I looked this subject up carefully several years ago I found that experiments in Germany and France went to show that cows would do better, that is would eat and assimilate more food, if they were fed a goodly amount of salt than when they were not allowed all they wanted. Those experiments seemed to indicate that two ounces per day was none too much for a cow giving a good flow of milk. But experience seems to prove that even more than this, is in the majority of cases, beneficial and profitable. It is stated that on the Deitrich little dairy farm, the management of which was discussed last week, the cows are given four ounces of salt daily, and these cows have certainly made their owner money and are healthy and all right.

## To Grow Good Turnips.

I had tried for years, without success to grow turnips that would not be strong, until two years ago, when I had the ground fresh worked, then thoroughly spaded and raked in, plenty of wood ashes either leached or unleached. I have no trouble now, to get sweet turnips.

I also treat my ground the same, before putting out my celery plants.

I empty my ashpans from the cook-stove once a week on my rose bed and work it in.

Miss Minnie Hinger.

## Fruit Notes.

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the runners must be kept off the entire season. While hill culture is more work than cultivating in rows, there is no question but that it gives finer fruit.

As for varieties, they should be such as will give the longest succession. If space is limited of course, varieties must to some extent be cut short; but it will do no harm to plant different sorts side and side.

Following is a list that in the order named will cover quite a long season and all are of highest quality. Senator Dunlap, Cumberland, Marshall, and Glen Mary, with Warfield, Brandywine and Sample. The Warfield and Sample require a fertilizer and the Brandywine planted between them will act as such.

## The Bush Berries.

These should come in for their full share of attention; and the higher fertilizing and more intensive culture they can receive the greater the amount of fruit and the better the quality. Four by five feet is close enough to plant, and while many allow them to grow in matted rows, better results at least, as to size and quality, will be realized if the hill culture is followed.

As to varieties, for the black caps, the Cumberland, Gregg and Kansas leave little to be desired either for home or market. For red raspberries, the Cuthbert and Soudon will meet every need; and in blackberries, the Snyder and Taylor's Prolific are for all localities as reliable sorts as can be found.

## Grapes.

There is hardly an excuse for leaving these off the list, as they so readily adapt themselves to almost any location. Trained to the sides of buildings or on trellis or as arbors they take up next to no room at all. A family supply can be grown on a space that could hardly be utilized for anything else; and the pity is that so many families go without them or else buy what they do consume when so small space and little trouble would furnish all that were needed.

Of the black grapes, Concord, Moore's Early and Worden are reliable and all that could be desired for home use or market. The red varieties are well represented in the Agawam, Delaware and Salem, and one could hardly make better choice. The Niagara, Moore's Diamond and Winchell are the standard of excellence in white grapes. A few feet of space along a fence, building or other out-of-the-way place would grow all the above varieties, and why need there be lack when the requirements are so small.

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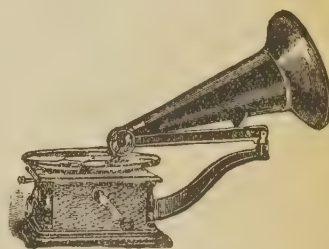
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A writer says the flock should be culled closely. That there are so many good birds that there is no need of keeping imperfect ones. He might have said too, that there are so many poor ones that we can spare a lot of them. A great many of us get the wrong impression about the quality of our stock. We think we have many more good birds than we really have.

As a rule persons who make the statement that "hens don't pay" have no right to say so, for the reason that they give but little attention to the work and never keep any account with the flock. Good authority, people who have given the hens careful attention and kept a book account with them for a year, say they will pay. Not only for one year, but they have followed it up year after year with like results.

Brood coops should be sprinkled or sprayed with kerosene oil between every hatch, and it is well to examine in all joints and crevices to see if any red mites have got a foot hold. Chickens hatched in an incubator and reared in a brooder are not supposed to have lice or mites, but it sometimes happens that they get in, and when they do they are sure to stay until you put up a strong fight against them. Some hatch with hens and raise in brooders and in this way there is quite apt to be some of these insects carried into the brooder.

## Questions and Answers.

What should I use on fowls that have frozen their combs? Apply glycerine or vaseline.

I am coming to you again with a few more questions about poultry. I will tell you what I am doing and you can say if I am right or not. I have thirteen pullets, three old hens and one cockerel, making seventeen in all. I have a theory that they ought to scratch to keep warm and to lay in winter and I have taken to feeding the mash at noon instead of in the morning as they get their fill and then sit around. I therefore feed them little and often as follows. Do you think it is enough? First thing in the morning I give them one pint of cracked corn, buckwheat and wheat mixed, (one pint in all and more corn than the rest,) then at about ten o'clock I give them half a pint of the same thing, and at one o'clock the warm mash consisting of table scraps, potatoes, etc., and bran mixed with boiling water made crumbly. This is fed in a long trough, but the grain in a deep litter. Then at about four o'clock I give them a quart of the mixed grains again. I give them fresh water several times a day a little warmed. I give them cut up beets, turnips, carrots and sweet apples occasionally, and hang up a cabbage sometimes. This week I have secured through a friend some meat scraps of bone and meat ground up together raw. I am going to give them half a pound of this twice a week in place of their mash on the day it is fed. I give them thick sour milk when I have it, also oyster shells before them all the while. Do I feed them enough? I fear sometimes I do not but as soon as I give them more they do not clean up their mash, which is about two quarts

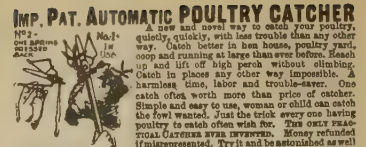
in bulk, and sit around and do not scratch as they do when I give them less. Now as to questions. 1. Do you think cracked corn better than whole corn? They seem to fill up so quickly on the latter and do not have to hunt so much. 2. What do you think of boiled beans to mix in their mash? I have heard they were good for laying. 3. What do you think about Venetian Red? I have heard that it was good to make hens lay. 4. Would you advise putting salt in the mash? 5. What do you know about the "Prize Brooder" for five dollars made at Gouverneur. Is it all right? 6. I have only three pullets and one hen that is laying, the rest not old enough and have obtained fourteen dozen eggs from them since they began to lay about November 1st, to date January 10th. Is that a fair showing? 7. Do you believe in feeding hens these patent egg foods, such as "Lee's Egg Maker," etc., red pepper, etc.? 8. What do you think about yarding hens? Next summer I think I will do so, as I have pure bred Wyandottes and want to keep them pure. 9. How large a yard would I need for say fifty?

In some respects cracked corn is better than whole corn. If fed in litter it can be used more freely. I would advise cracking it as used along, and sift out fine particles and put in the meal, or this will be wasted, if given with the corn. I have never fed cooked beans in the mash, no doubt it would be a good addition, but rather too expensive I should think to be an economical food. I have never used Venetian Red, so cannot recommend it. I would salt the mash about as one would season food for the table. I have had no practical experience with the Prize Brooder, but think it is a reliable one. Your laying hens are making a fair showing in egg production. I have found some of the egg foods quite valuable, and believe if used as directed will generally assist in making hens lay. In cold weather a little dash of red pepper in the mash is good. Except on the farm when not more than fifty or sixty fowls are kept, I would yard them. If yarded and given good care I believe the results are more satisfactory. If the hens have to depend on the yard alone for green stuff there should be 100 square feet of sod per hen, but if the green food is grown outside and given them, twenty-five to thirty square feet per hen will do.

The question of how much to feed hens is one that is not always easy to answer. The best rule is to feed according to appetite condition and results. Pullets require a little more feed than hens, (about one-fourth pint more to twelve head). Fine cut clover, cooked and added to the mash is valuable for laying stock. I would think the above plan and ration a very good one, and while it might be advisable to increase the grain ration slightly as the birds begin to lay more; this can better be determined by the conditions and appetite. I would suggest that a good quality of grit be kept before the fowls.

## Correspondence

Items from Barred Plymouth Rock breeder in State of Washington. My hens are laying well now and eggs are thirty cents per dozen in village market. For morning feed I give them cooked vegetables and scraps thickened to a crumbly mass with barley chop, and fresh water warmed if it is cold, then scatter a little wheat in the straw for them to work for. I give three gallons of the mash to eighty-five chickens. If no snow on ground I turn them out to range range, and if snow I feed them some apples or cabbage for green stuff. There is always a little green grass here for them to pick, as bunch grass grows a little in cold weather. In evening I give them all the whole wheat they can eat up clean. When I have it, I give them skim milk to drink, but always keep fresh water in their reach.—Mrs. B. F. Graham.



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For green food we keep a cabbage suspended just high enough so they will have to jump to get a taste of it. Crushed oyster shells are always before them, and they are almost inordinately fond of bits of crockery pounded fine, if one has time to occasionally give them the treat. We do not have the hens April or May pullets which usually commence laying in November or December, and the flock is always young as we keep few to the age of two years. We have no incubator but raise the chickens in the natural way. It is needless to say that the poultry house is kept clean, as no one can expect to be even moderately successful without cleanliness in this, as in other farm industries.

*Ella F. Flanders.*

## Let the Chickens Help You.

We all know how much better our biddies will pay their board bills, and some more, if they can have a chance to run about and scratch and dig, but it is not a very pleasant thing to have them operating about the dooryard or in the garden. There are places on most farms and lots where Mrs. Bidley can take her constitutional and really be a help to the owner. If you have a neglected spot where the weeds and grass have gained a foothold, or if it is rough and hard, scatter fine grain all about and let them hunt for it for a few hours each day, and my word for it, you will be surprised at the work they will do. My peach orchard was so full of rocks and the space between the trees not wide enough to allow very much turning out for them, that no one was anxious for the job of plowing it and so it waited nearly all summer, then I called my "feathered plows" up there. Long after the last grain is gone they are at work and no doubt, find many a worm and perhaps a borer which if left would soon make mischief. Hens like children, must have something to keep them busy.

*A. M. N.*

## In the Breeding Pen.

A breeder who got but one chick out of sixty eggs lays the trouble to feeding too heavily of rangel to the hens. Don't feed too much green stuff of any kind to breeding stock. Select out your good hens now for breeding, and place them by themselves with a promising male bird. Discard all that are over fat.

Don't fear to scatter the grain in the litter and over every square foot of floor space, thinking it will be wasted. This compels the hens to work and every kernel will be found. Every poultry keeper should have his "eye out" for the 200 egg hen, and use every means to find her. No doubt she is far above the average egg producer, at present, but

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## Squab Raising.

(Continued from last number.)

Raising market squabs is no longer a mere hobby but a decided business and a very profitable one. Many young men are very anxious to embark in this business but on account of lack of experience on their part, hesitate, fearing to run the risk. There is very little risk attached to it provided the birds are attended properly, and that risk if there is is any only about one-tenth that of raising chickens. With chickens the old and young must be fed, by their keeper, but with pigeons, you feed the old birds and they attend to their young. After eating their meal the parents feed their young after the food becomes predigested in their crops. It requires no more time to attend to pigeons without young than it does with young. If properly conducted 500 pairs of birds will bring in a profit sufficient to support a small family. Pigeons lay two eggs, sit about eighteen days, (the male bird sitting half the time) when the young are hatched. At four weeks of age they are fit for market, and if fat and good sized bring from forty cents to \$1.00 per pair (dressed). At present they are worth from \$3.50 to \$6.00 per dozen for the largest squabs. Squabs to demand the high prices should weigh eight to nine pounds to the dozen, and in commencing this business I would advise any one to pay a little more money for their stock birds and raise nothing but the choicest squabs. When purchasing birds for breeding there are several very essential points to first consider, namely. First—To get good healthy stock not over two years of age. Second—To get them strictly mated, as odd birds are of no use feeding. Third—To buy good birds of a person making a business of raising such stock for the squab raisers (one having his reputation at stake), even if you have to pay a little more money for them. Fourth—To attend to the birds properly if you want to make a success. The best way for a beginner is to visit places already established and thereby you can gain many points. There are no secrets in this business as in former years, and there is plenty of literature on the subject which can be purchased, which, if abided by will allow anyone to succeed. There is a greater demand than supply for squabs, hence the business can never be overdone. The best birds for the squab business are the Homers. Their young are large, fat, and plump and white fleshed. The dark squabs of common pigeons bring the poorest price, so it is useless to stock with those birds, their squabs also are small. While other varieties are sometimes used most all the leading squab raisers use the Homers. They are hearty birds, stand being kept in confinement very much better than other varieties, are excellent feeders and in general are good business birds. As they grow in years there is a warty looking substance which grows upon their beaks near the head, hence in buying beware of such birds for young birds one to two years old have very little cere or warts. There are some Homers of a small stature, but the best are good sized birds producing squabs which sometimes weigh as high as ten pounds to the dozen. To beginners I would advise starting with a few pairs of good Homers if they have not capital enough to go in on a large scale, and let the young accumulate and in the course of a year or so there will be considerably more, as each pair of old breeders have from eight to ten pairs of squabs in a year. The cost of feeding the birds is very little considering the price one gets for squabs. It costs about one and one-half cents per pair a week at the present price of feed, but some seasons it costs considerably less. There is also a nice snug sum derived each year from the sale of the droppings. Morocco Leather manufacturers pay as high as fifty cents per bushel for it for tanning purposes. Taking this business all through it is a very nice and profitable one for a young man or woman. There is very little work attached to it, and one is his own boss. It requires very little capital to start and the percentage of profit is much greater than in other business requiring thousands of dollars to start in.

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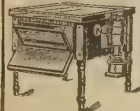
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## Poultry

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the trap nest and skillful mating and breeding will reveal her. The trap nest boxes will enable one to keep a record of each hen as well as to save her eggs separately, and in this way we can get a straight pedigree of the fowls and eventually increase the average egg yield of the whole flock.

### Make Preparations for the Work.

The one who attempts to raise and keep a large number of fowls without the necessary facilities and accommodations will sooner or later meet with poor results. There may not be much trouble the first year nor the second if good care is taken to keep the quarters clean and well disinfected, but after that look out.

Some undertake to hatch and raise chicks, using only one brooder for a 200 egg incubator. Suppose the first run should bring out 100 chicks, which will not be far out of the way for an early hatch. It will require two brooders to hold these. Some people may say,—put them all in one brooder. I know some brooders are rated for a large number of chicks, one to two hundred, and there is a great difference in brooders, some that are claimed to have a capacity of 150 to 200 will hold 100 very well, others that are rated at 200 or so will not raise successfully more than fifty chicks. In fact I believe that is as many as should be placed together anywhere. So in this case the one hatch will fill two brooders, and the next hatch if it comes off within four weeks will take at least two more brooders, and the third run, should, if a fair hatch fill these brooders, making seven brooders in all, but by the time the third lot is off the first batch will be about seven or eight weeks old, and at this age, if the weather is favorable they can do with less heat thereby doing away with the first two or one of them anyway. Some construct a home-made brooder to take the large chickens, something that will give them more room and so as to give them a little heat on cold or wet nights. But if the hatches turn out well one can hardly do with less than half a dozen fifty-chick brooders during the spring. Later in the season as the weather comes warmer, the chicks will do without a brooder at an earlier age, but even then when there comes a cold, rainy spell they will require a little heat.

A brooder house of some kind is the next thing to consider, and when I say "of some kind," don't take it that I mean "any old shelter," for if you undertake to grow several hundred early chicks in an old shed or in a leaky building unless everything else favors you, the chances are you will fail. You will need a good close and clean building, with room so as to give the chicks a run down in front, the width or more of the brooder and eight or ten feet long, and then as the chicks get ten days to two weeks old they will require a little space.

I have seen persons hatch and raise early chickens from the few hens they kept, fifteen to twenty-five in the flock, and have most excellent success, both by natural and artificial methods, then I have seen these same persons double and triple on their stock and try to raise four to six hundred chicks where they had only raised two hundred before, and make a complete failure of it. The principal reason was they undertook to carry on the business without some things which were absolutely necessary for them to have. So I say again, don't undertake to increase on the size of your flocks nor your output, unless you make a corresponding increase in your facilities for handling the work.

When you are well provided for the business so as to get good hatches and have the chicks live and thrive there is money in getting them out early, say in February and March, but to put a lot of eggs in an incubator that are worth two to three cents each, then test out half of them and on the twenty-first day find half of what remains with chicks dead in the shell, and have the few that does hatch out of the kind that only reach the age of one to two weeks there is not

much "in it," and many times all because you lack the facilities for handling them.

### The Hen.

Alas! my Child, where is the Pen That can do Justice to the Hen? Like Royalty, She goes her way, Laying foundations every day, Though not for Public Buildings yet For Custard Cake and Omelette. Or if too Old for such a use They have their Fling at some Abuse As when to Censure Plays Unfit Upon the Stage they make a Hit Or at elections Seal the Fate Of an Obnoxious Candidate. No wonder Child we prize the Hen Whose Egg is Mightier than the Pen. —Oliver Herford.

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Oh, you wish it hadn't been—  
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Dey ain't no use in sighin' kaze ole Satan took you in,  
Yit you wish it hadn't been—  
Oh, you wish it hadn't been!  
Dey warn't a prize he give you dai wuz wuth a chance ter win—  
Oh, you wish it hadn't been—  
Hadn't been!

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Sence you wish it hadn't been,  
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Frank L. Stanton.

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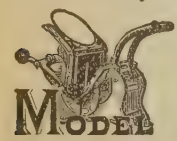
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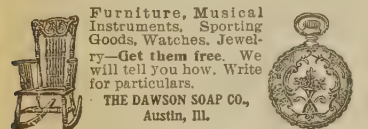


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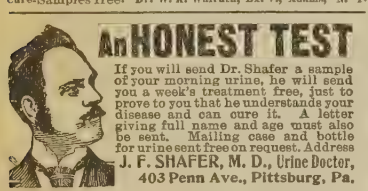


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Does this not tell the whole secret of the almond-eyed beauty's fair, unwrinkled skin and refreshing, placid expression?

Who will found a club for womankind and call it the No Bric-a-Brac Club, and at once institute a new order of things, in which rest—perfect rest—can be found, with rose leaf complexions as one of the rewards of membership? Also freedom from worry, for it is worry which is wearing out the nerves of the average American woman.

English women have formed a club which commends itself to consideration. It is called the "Don't Get Tired Club." Its main object is the organization, on a hygienic basis, of shopping—as pernicious a habit, if carried too far, as the bric-a-brac habit.

The members pledge themselves, on their word of honor as gentlewomen, not to shop the whole day without suitable and proper refreshment. Stringent rules are drawn up of what is and what is not allowed under this heading.

Then each member swears to do her shopping systematically, to make out a list of everything she wants to buy, and never to toil from shop to shop to see if she can't get it cheaper. A limit is placed on the amount of shopping that maybe done in a day—three hours for town women and five for suburbanites. The carrying of parcels is absolutely forbidden, and shopping in a short skirt made obligatory.

Here are some worry don'ts:

Don't start nervously if a child makes a noise or breaks a dish. Keep your worry for broken bones.

Don't sigh too often over servants' shortcomings.

Don't get wildly excited if Bridget has neglected to dust the legs of the hall table. The welfare of neither your family nor the nation is involved.

Don't put too much of yourself into the ordering of the household, or the management of servants, or the care of the ornaments. Let the ornaments of the house be the friends who frequent it.

Don't exhaust all your reserve force over petty cares. Each time one loses control over herself, her nerves, her temper, she loses just a little nerve force, just a little physical well being, and moves a fraction of an inch farther on in the path that leads to premature old age.

Don't work when you are not in condition to do so.

Don't go to bed late at night and rise at daybreak and imagine that every hour taken from sleep is an hour gained.

Don't eat as if you only had a minute in which to finish the meal, or eat without an appetite.

Don't give unnecessary time to a certain established routine of housekeeping when it could be much more profitably spent in rest or recreation.

Don't always be doing something. Have intermittent attacks of idling. To understand how to relax is to understand how to strengthen nerves.

Don't worry others, above all things, by forcing them to share your worries. Worry is called the American national disease and "Americanitis" is its distinctive name.

Don't fret and don't worry are the most healthful of maxims.

New York Times.

## Gems of Thought.

A fool is always beginning.

French Proverb.

Poetry comes nearer to vital truth than history.

Plato.

When two quarrel both are in the wrong.

Dutch Proverb.

The innocent seldom find an uneasy pillow.

Couper.

Impatience dries the blood sooner than age or sorrow.

Cleon.

My poor are my best patients. God pays for them.

Boerhaave.

Poverty wants some things, luxury many, avarice all things.

Cowley.

He only is exempt from failures who makes no efforts.

Whately.

He who says there is no such thing as an honest man is himself a knave.

Berkeley.

Better be driven out from among men than to be disliked by children.

Dana.

Education is only like good culture; it changes the size, but not the sort.

Beecher.

The innocence of the intention abates nothing of the mischief of the example.

Robert Hall.

Give according to your means, or God will make your means according to your giving.

John Hall.

Don't hang a dismal picture on the wall, and don't daub with sable and gloom your conversation.

Emerson.

The only failure a man ought to fear is failure in cleaving to the purpose he sees to be best.

George Eliot.

There is a soul at the center of nature, and over the will of every man. The whole course of things goes to teach us faith. We need only obey. There is guidance for each one of us, and by lowly listening we shall hear the right word.

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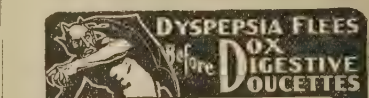
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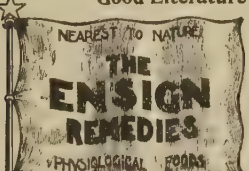
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A colony of bees is in many different conditions in the course of a year, and in writing these articles for Vick's Family Magazine I shall try to tell you of the work that they are doing and the conditions most likely to exist inside a bee hive, at the time the magazine reaches its readers, or soon after, according to whether you live north or south of this latitude, and I wish to say, no, that these articles are not for the benefit of those who are familiar with the honey bee and its habits, but for those who know but little, if anything about these wonderful little creatures.

I know from years of careful observation of the many questions that people ask me that I am safe in saying that ninety-nine out of a hundred could not tell a Queen bee from a Drone bee, a worker bee from a certain kind of wasp.

They think of a Drone bee as a lazy shiftless being, of no use to the colony. A sort of hobo, if you please, living on the charity of the more industrious. How the bees make such delicate white comb, where the wax comes from, how they gather the little grains of pollen and make it into little balls or loaves and carry them home on their legs, what they use it for, why some of the bees live only a few weeks, and others several months, how the Queen lives three to five years and in summer lays as many as three thousand eggs in a day, and hundreds of other like things is a mystery to them. All of these things the careful apiarist is so familiar with that in writing about bees they lose sight of the part that but few people comparatively have ever seen the inside of a bee's hive, with population of perhaps forty thousand of the hustling little fellows. It is the lack of knowledge of these little things that brings disaster and disappointment to many who take up bee-keeping as a means of support, and I shall try with the aid of illustrations to make all so plain that most anyone,—girl or boy, woman or man, in city or country, with strength and intelligence enough to properly care for a flock of chickens or a flower garden can care for a few colonies of bees. By caring for them, I mean for you to do such things as taking the brood combs out and finding the Queen. I want you to take her carefully in your hand, and see what a beautiful bee she is, see how soon the whole colony miss her, and scampers here and there, one to another, as if spreading the news or inquiring about her. See how soon they will find her and how delighted they are as they hover around her, much as a lot of children would around their mother under like circumstances.

In this part of the country bees do not fly much in March, and there is little that man can do to help them, so I will tell you as briefly as possible how they live through the long cold winter, often with only an inch board between them and the open air. To get a good understanding we must go back to last summer and take for example, a colony that was put into a hive; say June first, these bees begin at once to bring in honey from the clover blossoms and other flowers. They often go a mile and if necessary several miles in search of honey. Having no comb in their hive in which to store this honey they make it into wax, with this wax the bees build honey comb, this comb is just like they build in the little boxes of honey that one can see at the store. But instead of having little boxes in the lower part of the hive, we have eight or more large ones, these are brood frames, and when filled with comb we call them brood combs. They are about eighteen inches long and ten inches deep,—or up and down—and instead of being light and frail they are made heavy and strong. The bees build the comb in them just as they do in the little boxes beginning on the under side of the piece of wood that

goes across the top—called top bar—and building downward icicle style, to the bottom bar. As fast as this comb is built the bees fill it with honey and pollen. The first two inches, about, is filled with honey. Just below this many of the cells have pollen in them with a little honey over it to preserve it; this pollen is for the nurse bees to use in preparing food for the brood early in the spring, before there is any to be had from the fields.

In the center of these combs the bees rear their young. All of this is in the first, or lower story of the hive, or what we call the brood chamber.

These combs are left in the hive year after year, the apiarist taking them out and returning them whenever he or she wishes to see what is going on inside the hive. As these combs hang in the hive there is a space between them of about one-half inch. It is in these spaces that the bees live, using the honey that is in these combs for food.

As cold weather comes the bees crowd close together, making a compact cluster occupying several spaces, thus holding the heat in and keeping the cold out. The outside ones are often exposed to a temperature much below freezing, but before they become chilled they go to the inside of the cluster where in mid-winter the temperature is near sixty degrees and warm ones take their place. It is by this process of turning outside in, and inside out that these tender little things are enabled to live through long and severe winters with comparatively little loss of life.

It is the bees that hatch in the latter part of the season that live through the winter and care for the brood in the spring. Those hatched in early and mid-summer do not live to see cold weather. Thus it is that the bees who worked so hard in summer to lay up a surplus, do not live to use it.

Does this seem right to you? or does your sympathy go out to these seemingly unfortunate little ones. Do you think their lot in the world a hard one, that such a life is not worth living? If so, had you not better stop and think for a moment. Can mankind with all its faculties and advantages boast of any great improvement?

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## Tangle Town.

(Continued from page nine.)

X. Proverb Puzzle.

1. He hid the trap in woods so dim.
2. 'Twas here that Harriet captured him.
3. The lads watch eagerly the game.
4. Her life will never seem the same.
5. In deepest wrath Art struck his friend.
6. You can't save money if you lend.
7. Some have already reached the place.
8. The tears coursed down his aged face.

The answer is a proverb of sixteen letters. The first two letters are hidden in the first sentence, the second two in the second sentence, etc.

Cowboy.

XI. Hidden Flowers.

1. An animal and the solid part of a tree.
2. To strive to gain superiority; an interjection and to allow.
3. A man's name; a preposition; an article; to draw; and a hole in the ground.
4. Gay and a metal.
5. A shortening of a proper name; an article; another article; and to keep silent.
6. A bird and something used when riding.
7. A conjunction and a young goat.
8. A number and part of the face.

Marie.

XII. Charade.

First.

That old man limps along  
Upon a wooden peg,  
He's just returned from war  
And left behind his leg.

Second.

I'll write one syllable  
To help you on your way,  
'Tis just an article  
The little letter A.

Third.

A ship has just arrived  
What can her cargo be?  
She comes to bring a load  
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Whole.

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At least, that's what I'm told,  
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### Answers to February Puzzles.

1. Far-thing-ale.
2. Washington, Madison, U. S. Grant Adams, Cleveland, Monroe, Fillmore, Hayes.
3. Owl, low.
4. PRESS  
RESET  
ESSIE  
SEINE  
STEER
5. Spider.
6. Amherst, Yale, Harvard, Cornell.
7. G-riddle.
- 8.

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9. Penitent.
10. G, B, C, I, P, J, L, M, T, O.

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2. Mrs. H. M. Bagley, Tilton, N. H.
3. Mrs. J. F. Sawtelle, Humboldt, Tenn.
4. Marie, Appleton, Wis.
5. Nellie A. Miller, Prospect Park, California.
6. W. P. Purcell, Burke, Idaho.

## Tangle Talk.

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erty. But now the future welfare and happiness of Trixy was at stake, and she would risk a great deal for him.

"Oh, father, dear," she said, "please do let us keep Trixy. Don't turn him out in this cold rain. Think what he'll suffer, papa."

"And father," said Charlie, taking the man's hand and looking up into his face with two serious brown eyes, "if you think it would cost too much to keep him, there's that two dollars I earned, picking berries. Take it—every cent, papa, only please let us keep Trixy."

Mr. Floyd drew his hand sharply from the child's grasp and untwined Neva's arms from about his neck. "Go away, both of you!" he said. "I've no time for nonsense. Come, Minerva, pour out the tea; I've got a lot of corn to husk after supper. Probably Charlie ain't been working mor'n half the afternoon."

He took a step forward, toward the table and his foot struck against a soft, yielding little body; he looked down. Trixy, sitting on the floor at Mr. Floyd's feet, looked up. There was a grave questioning expression in his eyes. He flicked his chops thoughtfully as if turning some subject over in his mind; then he smiled.

"Well!" said Mr. Floyd, passing his hand meditatively over his forehead. "I vum!"

"Oh father dear," cried Neva, clasping her hands, earnestly. "Will you please answer his question? May he stay here with us?"

Mr. Floyd sat down at the table, fumbled with his knife and fork and again glanced down at Trixy.

"Yes," said he, "I guess he can stay. Now are you satisfied?"

(To be continued in the April issue.)

## Interesting Facts.

The German government operates 15,200 telephone stations.

The earliest money was in the form of animal's skins.

The oldest graduates of Yale and Harvard are ministers.

Niagara is worth \$1,000,000,000 as a source of electrical power.

The electric motor is fast displacing the leather belt in factories.

The average coffee tree in Honduras produces half a pound of beans.

There is more coal in Montana and Wyoming than in Pennsylvania.

The population of Ireland, which fifty years ago was over eight millions, is now less than 4,500,000.

General Kuropatkin is drawing a salary of \$100,000 a year, but he is not having much time to spend it.

An innkeeper of Wilhelmberg, who turns the scale at 502 pounds, is the heaviest man in Germany.

Rome has a water supply of two hundred million gallons a day, London only 160,000,000, and Paris ninety million.

One of the oldest known living animals on earth is a tortoise in New Zealand that weighs 970 pounds. It is known to be over three hundred years old.

The attorney-general of Kansas has decided that a pupil in the public schools cannot be compelled by a teacher to tell tales on another pupil. That is a great question that has long required settling.

An investigation of the Obi and Venesei rivers, made under the auspices of the Russian government, has revealed the fact that these streams are navigable by ocean steamers for a distance of one thousand miles from their mouths.

A Chelsea (England) hospital is mourning the loss of a bequest of \$6,000 through a legal informality. The testator signed his will in his bedroom, and the witnesses thoughtlessly carried it into another room before signing it, thus making the document invalid.

M. Fremlet, the French sculptor, has received a commission for a monument, to be erected in Paris, in memory of the pigeons which carried messages during the siege. At its commencement the institution of the pigeon post was of

marked service, and thousands of letters and dispatches were sent out from Paris by this means.

South Australia is said to be suffering with a great invasion of mice. The cause is the recent bad weather, which caused more or less of a failure of the wheat crop, and the farmers allowed much grain to remain in the fields. This fell to the ground in time, and so furnished much food for the mice.

Pedro Alvarado, the richest man in Mexico was working for eighty cents a day a few years ago. Then he struck it rich in mining, and the money has come in so fast that he cannot handle it. He offered to pay the Mexican national debt to get rid of some of his money, but the government would not accept his offer. He has been making a little trip around Mexico now in five Pullman cars. The last time he left his palatial home was two years ago, when he chartered a special train, put his family and an armed band of retainers in it, and went to Mexico City to get a tooth filled.

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Sitting on grandfather's knee.  
Grandfather says how he used to hold father—  
Same as he's now holding me;  
Grandmother dear, was a pretty young lady,  
Father, her own boy, you see.

The tea kettle bubbles and boils so sleepy,  
Over the fire there.  
Grandfather tells how the Injuns scalped him,  
That's how he lost his hair,  
And once, when he was a little shaver,  
Not a bit bigger than me,  
He had a squirrel that slept in his pocket,  
Tame as it could be.

Grandfather says he could whittle a soldier,  
But the tea kettle bubbles so.  
Grandfather's voice sounds up in the attic,  
Queer and soft and slow.  
The fire burns low and the tea kettle bubbles,  
I have such a heavy head  
I don't remember; but grandfather says that  
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## Out of His Head.

Archbishop Thompson was greatly surprised when he was given the Archdiocese of York. He had been suffering acutely from toothache, and, upon medical advice, had resorted to narcotics. After a particularly bad night, he set out for his doctor, though his wife had besought him not to submit to further narcotics, as after them he was "not himself" for some hours. On the way he met a postman, who handed him a letter announcing his preferment from Gloucester to York. He rushed back and burst excitedly into the house, the toothache all forgotten.

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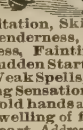
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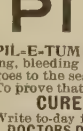
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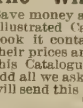
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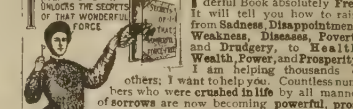
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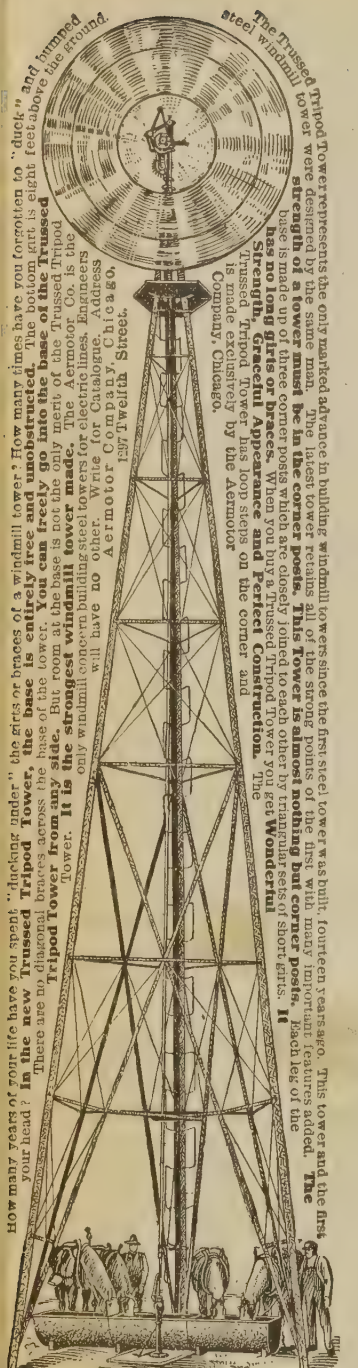
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as it will greatly help your health and appearance. Let other people carry their own burdens.

Faults—You should not fret and worry. Over-anxiety and worrying are your most formidable faults. Do not be despondent. You should not censure yourself. Have confidence in what you do. Have confidence in yourself. Do not feel that people and fate are against you. Why do you leave and misplace articles? Overcome this habit and you will be much more orderly in the home. It is well not to talk too much. Always think before you speak and take no important steps without proper fore-thought. You should cultivate judgment. You should not allow your mind to dwell on any one thing too much. Care should be taken to protect your head and feet or you will suffer with pains in the head, back and feet. This will weaken your digestive organs and bring on severe fits of the blues, despondency and melancholy. You should always remember that the people who are strong and fearless and who don't attempt to reform or help the world to any great extent, are the ones who get the most out of life. Also remember that "money has made more vagabonds than poverty." Adversity is one of the greatest teachers in the world. Let this be your motto should you desire to achieve success: viz., I can and I will. I can and I will conquer my heedlessness, restlessness, my heart-breaking anxiety, the disposition to talk of myself, the foolish desire to help those who God evidently intended should help themselves. I can and I will attend strictly to my own business. I can and I will put a curb on all foolish emotions. I can and I will hold my tongue when it should be held; and remember that nearly every fear that you have is groundless. When you get tired and worn out you get stubborn. Then you are quite apt to do the most absurd things and stick to them. Argument and advice at such times are useless; and the more you are reasoned with, the more stubborn you become. Rest and quietness will restore your equilibrium.

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## Mother's Meeting

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opiates are needed, but to stupefy a child's intellect and lessen its vitality by narcotizing, is an abomination." Add to this the fact that baby may thus acquire a craving for opium and later become a morphine eater too easily and you will more seriously hesitate when the too, too handy bottle of soothing syrup or cordial is at hand "because baby cries so much." And more seriously still you who are inexperienced in nursing will later think of giving this remedy whenever diarrhoea sets in—perhaps causing convulsions during teething or death during a bowel disorder which nature wished the diarrhoea to relieve.

Beware of your nurse. Never let one who believes in "they say" control your children's health. She can sleep better—so can you—sometimes by giving drugs to baby.

Of course you added an infants rubber syringe to your layette supplies? Now is a time to use it and to learn the quick relief of warm water or oil injections and of hot water per the feeding bottle when baby cries.

Have some general rules framed in readiness, as well as proper utensils for care of the food.

### Be It Resolved:

I. That we prevent rather than cure colic.

II. That we will let baby cry as little as possible during the first month but will not overfeed.

III. That we have some system: either every one and one-half hours for first month, every two hours during second, and three during third month (until six months old), or some suitable scale. Between the meals the warm water or very, very weak catnip-tea (newly made) in a bottle and make every effort to feed but twice between ten p. m., and six a. m.

IV. That we will not usually ever awaken a child to feed it. When really necessary gentle handling will succeed in coaxing it to eat and return to sleep at once.

V. That we will not suspect any proper food too easily of being unfit but watch for some smaller cause of trouble. This can easily be the method of cooking, the cleanliness of dishes, the position and speed in feeding, flatulence, liver trouble, cold, distress due to prickly flannels, tight bands, soiled harsh diapers (not cared for, sunned, boiled, dried freely and used but once) and beware of too many rapid changes in foods.

VI. That as baby's stomach and digestive powers grow and need a variation we should seek to likewise alter the food to his uses and needs.

VII. That soothing syrups and cordials be given only when our physician assumes responsibility during an illness.

VIII. That the art of cleanliness begins with borax for baby's bottles.

IX. That to buy the proper utensils for cooking baby's food pays; also that these dishes are sacred to his use. A stand with a drawer and a small stove thereon is only a small investment compared to a doctor's bill.

X. That we will prepare baby's food twice daily and be sternly particular that any milk used be as new, as fresh as can be obtained each time, as this more nearly resembles mother's milk; also we will be careful to know whether we buy of a reliable milkman.

These may serve as Ten Commandments but still the inexperienced need details. Of the many things fed to tiny babies the most common is a modified milk. In several of the books found in the Heartsease Libraries are golden rules and splendid methods for feeding new born babes. Some patent foods are used; of these I could name several which have done admirably good work. One famous food is but the old fashioned "flour ball" (I will give a printed formula for "flour ball," and modified milk—with a scale to adjust it to varying ages which I have only recently seen tested wonderfully—and an idea how to tell which agrees best in your child's case for twenty-five cents in stamps), yet this food costs one dollar per bottle and easily commands it because it is so useful. I again commend a variety to those feed-



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ing sturdy infants in hot weather by using Cook's flaked rice properly prepared. An easy way to modify milk is to use half warm water and half milk with a mere trifle of sugar. Some infants of good digestion do well with no great special care—particularly if the mother lived properly before its birth and if it has much outdoor air—while others having hereditary disorders seem impossible to raise. Some breast fed babies would thrive, grow rosy and fat if weaned; but this is either due to overfeeding, glutony of mother, marasmus or disease, or the excesses of the parents.

There are splendid books to be obtained on this one vital topic and as they cost considerably more than some care to invest it should be a blessing to all who read the libraries to have such a chance to read in brief the excellent advice and choose which one book seems to give the best advice or that most suitable to her needs. It is unsafe to be without advice in so important a matter and every mother needs at least one book.

I have seen the fat, healthy looking babies grow thin, delicate and about to die merely because mother, grandmother and nurse experimented on it.

About condensed milk, I wanted to say "never use it," but that is not expressing the idea. In few lines of foods for baby, however, do you need to be so wise, so suspicious as with simple condensed milk. Some day I'd like to write a sketch concerning "The Condensed Milk Baby." A very few brands I would commend—if the mother had good sensible ideas about diet in every particular.

"Doctor Alice"—for so I always call the good and great authoress of "Tokology" advises as the best artificial food cream reduced and sweetened with sugar of milk. She adds: "The reduced cream, sweetened, closely approximates human milk. The difference in the quality of cream presents a great difficulty. No rule can be given for its reduction. Most nurses leave it too rich and the child's system is soon deranged."

To obviate this difficulty let new milk stand from four to six hours, take off the top milk; reduce one-half with (fresh) hot water; to one pint add one teaspoonful sugar of milk and one grain of phosphate of lime. When the child is from three to five months old, oatmeal, barley or bran (I also use whole wheat,) gruel can be added.

Two small and vital points I desire to make right here. Do not use malted foods unless no other agrees even when wisely prepared and cautiously given. Of course a properly nourished baby can be tested by its actions, its appearance but positive knowledge depends on its stools—as to whether the color and consistency are normal—and its weight. Weigh the baby every week and keep a record of the weights.

The other point based on my pity for little ones orphaned of the mother's warm breast is this: firstly if you feed baby artificial food use a bottle (you can use a spoon and cup I know but—do not) and let it be a really, truly nursing bottle not a cast off blueing-iron or extract or medicine bottle.

Did you say "just as good?" Pardon me, but—the nursing bottles have graduated scales whereby it is made less easy to guess at how much food you give baby. You should know not guess. Secondly use a certain rubber nursing bottle. It is called Hygiea rightly because of its virtues; but not less aptly might it be known as a good Samaritan to lonely babies to whom its softness is a comfort. As it does not break it proves economical and safe.

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## Ten Paces by Eight.

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When the peas begin to climb the support the top soil you left lying on the side of the trench should be gradually filled in but don't choke or smother the young plants in doing so! The object of this is to strengthen the growth, and give good root hold against the dry weather. All the borders require spading to a depth of eighteen inches or thereabouts, and if done in the fall, left in rough clods for the frosts to pulverize and purify.

When the spring has sufficiently advanced to make it safe to plant seeds (this, of course, varies according to locality) turn about two yards of the sunniest and most sheltered portion of one of the borders into a seed-bed. Make the soil nice and fine for this and plant your seeds—verbenas, petunias, phlox-drummondii, ten-week stocks, asters, Chinese and Japanese pinks—any annuals you have predilections for—in rows parallel with each other, say four inches between each parallel; don't bury the seeds, and then say they were no good! Sow them and cover them to a depth of about four times the size of the seed in little shallow trenches, and when covered with fine soil press it firmly down over the seeds with a flat board. Label each row, so that you may know your plants when they appear.

In about ten days after planting the, plants will begin to appear; some taking longer to germinate; some less. When the seedlings have grown strong and thrifty-looking—which will be when they are some three inches high, in most cases—they are ready to transplant to the space in the borders where they are to grow and bloom. Choose a dull, overcast day for this, if you can; or some evening if you can't. The object of this is to prevent them wilting under a hot sun before they get set. It will be well to bear in mind in transplanting that such annuals as verbenas and petunias will stand any amount of hot sun, so give them the sunniest borders, most of the others will be grateful for a little shade from the scorching heat of the afternoon midsummer sun. The reason for planting your seed in a seed-bed, and thence, at the proper time, transplanting them to the place in the border where they are to bloom and finish their growth, is to obtain strong, thrifty plants, capable of producing fine flowers; whereas, if they are allowed to stay just where the seed was sown, they would soon crowd each other, and become weak, spindling, eyesores to a generous lover of flowers. So, in transplanting, take this warning, don't plant your young seedlings too close together in order at once to cover the bare soil. Each verbenas plant, for instance, will spread at least eighteen inches all round. Anyway, give each plant twelve or fifteen inches to itself each way; they will soon hide the naked soil, and will repay you for not crowding them.

You will find, too, that each packet of seed will furnish you with more plants than you need. This will permit, when transplanting time comes, of your bestowing your surplus on your garden-loving friends, and they can reciprocate in kind. By such means economy can be effected. You, from your surplus seedlings, bestowing them on those who have not grown the same, and they, in return, giving you some of theirs of a different sort than yours.

A picture hung on the wall without a frame looks unfinished. So does a border without an edging. Here are three capital edgings. First, "little gem" alyssum—the ordinary "sweet" alyssum spreads too widely for an edging to a small border such as referred to here—but the "little gem" Alyssum makes an ideal edging; its neat low-growing habit and sweet little white flowers harmonize with almost any colors in the borders; it blooms, too, profusely from start to finish.

Portulaca is another low-growing plant well adapted for edgings, its flowers—all colors—double and single, make a most brilliant picture and it just revels in the hottest sun. Mignonette is another useful edging, but is not so low-growing as the two former; but it is an absolute necessity all the same. Its fragrance

perfumes the whole garden. If a nice green sward surrounds the whole, then the picture is ideal and complete. The writer always uses mignonette as a frame for his bouquets; the greenery throwing up the beauty of the flowers, and the fragrance lending an additional charm to the posy; the blossom of the alyssum interspersed among the other flowers helps to break up the appearance of bunchiness. The illustration of a bouquet of sweet peas and sweet alyssum, with mignonette as a frame, shows what is meant. What an exquisite combination of color and fragrance a bouquet of sweet peas and mignonette make! The growing of flowers gives the purest and most unalloyed pleasure we can enjoy on this earth. Money spent on other pleasures may be often regretted but money spent on your garden is a showy, satisfying investment and leaves no after sense of loss to be deplored.

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## Fannie's Flirtation

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His adieu was as deferential as to a princess; and Fanny experienced a decidedly regretful sensation as his coat-skirts disappeared among the trees. She was too childlike to "fall in love" on so short a notice; but it was very lonely then in the woods, and almost any companion would have been acceptable.

It seemed a long time since she had stood on Miss Gedge's piazza, saying, "Good-by"—and yet it was only that very morning. Then she wondered if Cornelia would be glad to see her, and if she would send the carriage to the depot; but of course she would, for wasn't she her own sister? How grand and stately Cornelia was! so beautiful, too! She wondered if she would call her "a little country bumpkin," as she did the last time she saw her?

This same "Cornelia," Mrs. Henry Chalmers, was the eldest sister of a family of two girls, who were left with scarcely any relative in the world but a fashionable maiden aunt, who immediately sent Cornelia, who was of an understanding age, to Madame Crepand's school, to learn to use the ammunition with which nature had provided her to re-establish the fortunes of her family. Cornelia profited so well by the instructions she received, that when at the age of "sweet sixteen," while walking in the long procession that issued diurnally from Madame Crepand's door, a susceptible young gentleman on the opposite side waved his handkerchief at pretty Miss Nettleton, and she, after the manner of school-girls generally returned the waving with spirit. Remembering the directions of Aunt Seraphina, however, she thought to herself: "I will find out all about him, and if he is not a good match, I need not wave again. I hope he is, though," whispered a little bit of nature that had escaped smothering, "for he is so handsome!"

The young man with the peace flag proved to be an excellent match—"unexceptionable," Aunt Seraphina said; and as he was very much in love, and his own master, the fair Cornelia found herself suddenly promoted from a merino dress and linen collar to the dignity of the wedding *trosseau*, with silks and lace *ad infinitum*. To be sure, the child was young," Miss Seraphina observed to a confidential friend, "and Henry not much better only twenty-one; but he was such a desirable match that she really couldn't afford to run the risk of losing him by waiting. They were very much in love poor things! (as though they had the whooping-cough or scarlet fever) and on the whole these early marriages were generally the happiest."

Fanny was not much acquainted with her sister—having been tearfully appropriated in early childhood by Miss Gedge as her lawful property on account of a long-standing friendship with Fanny's mother; and Miss Seraphina was not sorry to be relieved of one of "poor William's cherubs" as she termed them; adding that was willing to deny herself for dear little Fanny's sake whom she knew that estimable Miss Gedge would train up to be a useful Christian gentlewoman—a class she was sorry to say (with a melancholy shake of the head) that was becoming more rare every day.

From all this "prunes and prism" it was Fanny's good fortune to be delivered; and there was scarcely more in common between her and her relatives than there is between an intelligent young savage and the victim of too much civilization.

While the young lady sat thinking of all these things a wagon, with two men in it, came in sight, and soon drew up beside the old stage.

"This is the lady," said Hiram after the manner of men who explain panoramas "and these are the horses, and this is the pesky old stage. What do you think, Jase?"

The blacksmith, who was a Jack Bunsby sort of man scratched his head reflectively, with his eyes on Fanny. "Young woman wants to get to her own folks afore night?"

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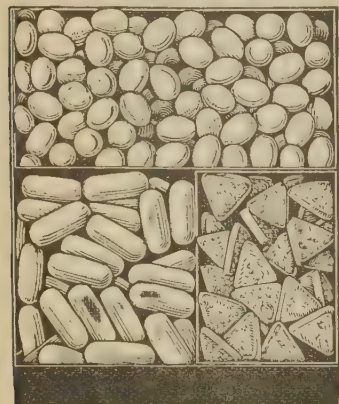


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Mr. Pitcher did not look at all moved, but kicked the stage a little here and there and then began to harness the horses to the wagon he had brought. His one horse he mounted himself, and, addressing no one in particular, said, "You'll hev' to look sharp after the four o'clock train," and galloped off homeward.

Hiram's face seemed to say, "there's a man worth knowing," but immediately his expression changed to one of surprise, as he inquired, "Where's the young gent?"

"I do not know," replied Fanny, perfectly bewildered by his non-appearance. "He said that he would go to the nearest village, and try to get a conveyance to take us to the cars, as he was afraid we should be late."

"Which way did he go?" continued the driver.

Fanny pointed, as well as she could remember, to the spot of his disappearance; and, Hiram, with a sort of chuckle, remarked.

"I've knowed them woods, man and boy, well-nigh thirty year—and they're jest as tricky as some human critters. You think they're all clear, and fair, and open, but they ain't; and like as not he's lost, like the great goat he is, for not sittin' here and waitin' like a reasonable bein', instead of pokin' off on his own hook. Horse and wagon, indeed! Much horse and wagon he'll git to-night, I guess!"

"What can we do?" asked Fanny, in distress for an unfortunate fellow-creature. "It will not do to go off and leave him, you know!"

"We ken do one of two things," rejoined the driver, coolly, "we ken go galivantin' round the place, of course—to hunt him up, and wait for the mornin' train, and then go without him; or we ken give the horses their heads and let 'em put for the cars, like sensible folks that ain't got no time for nonsense."

"Go on, then," said Fanny, faintly, feeling all the time that was rather ungrateful; and on they went.

They just caught the cars; and it was with a feeling of relief that the young traveler beheld the spires of the great city at twilight. Of course, there was no carriage, as that had been sent to meet the other train, and then they gave her up for the day; so Fanny was obliged to make her way up to the Fifth avenue palace in an omnibus.

Cornelia was astonished, and rather disposed to censure; but when she heard the day's adventures, she was almost frightened.

"Be very careful," said she impressively, "about recognizing that man,

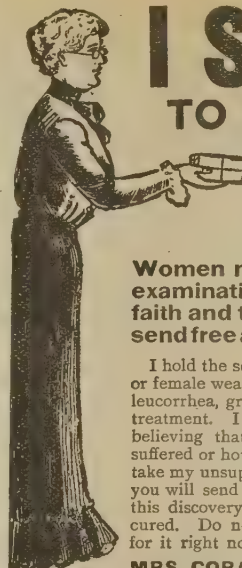
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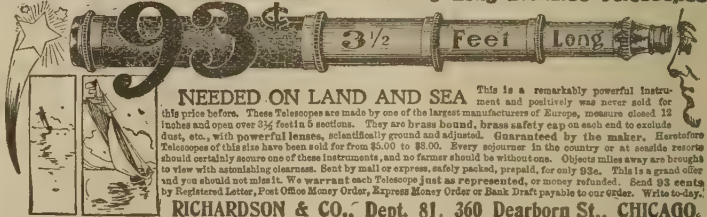
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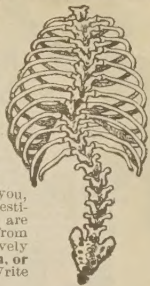
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A friend whom you have been gaining during your whole life, you ought not to be displeased with in a moment. A stone is many years becoming a ruby; take care that you do not destroy it in an instant against another stone.—Saadi.

Blessed is the man who has the gift of making friends; for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things, but above all, the power of going out of one's self, and seeing and appreciating whatever is noble and loving in another man.—Thomas Hughes.

The nearer one holds his friend, the less should he dream of failing to observe all the delicate attentions of good breeding, the more scrupulously should he refrain from possible intrusion, the more carefully should he hold all the fine and exquisite observances of life.—Gail Hamilton.

Be true to thy friend. Never speak of his faults to another, to show thy own discrimination, but open them all to him, with candor and true gentleness. Forgive all his errors and his sins, be they ever so many; but do not excuse the slightest deviation from rectitude. Never forbear to dissent from a false opinion, or a wrong practice, from motives of kindness; nor seek thus to have thy own weakness sustained; for these things cannot be done without injury to the soul.—Lydia Marie Child.

True sympathy always purifies. It cheers. It helps to right-seeing. It heals. It strengthens. It exalts and brings one nearer to God. It puts evil passions to sleep and awakens holy emotions. It quickens not the worst things, but the best things in a man. It has in it always a pulse of heavenly love. It never accelerates a wicked course. It stills the troubled waters. It rests and soothes the aching heart. It makes a man hate the mean and low, and love the good and high. It takes one forward into companionships which are above the stars. It is more palatable than food; it is more refreshing than light; it is more fragrant than flowers; it is sweeter than songs.—F. A. Noble.

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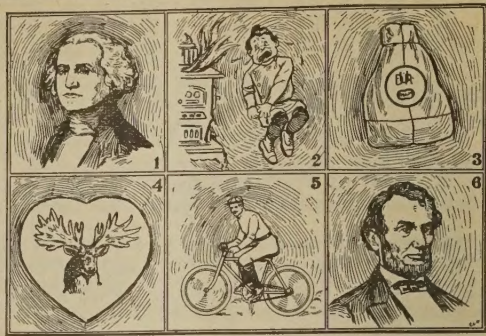
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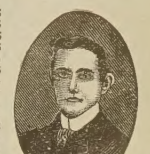


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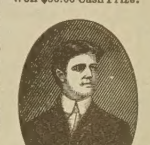


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Nothing is so pitiable to witness as wrongly applied effort, particularly so when the effort thus put forward is earnest and persistent, of a kind that, placed in the proper channel, would be productive of the results sought after. Especially is this true of the attempts of sick and ailing people to secure a cure for their ills, many wasting some of the best years of their lives in an effort along the wrong direction, lives that are made miserable by a protracted disorder that apparently defies all efforts to eradicate it. They will apply themselves diligently to the treatment, will follow it and dose themselves day after day with a determination and spirit that is, indeed, commendable, but the effort is misdirected and nothing but additional and prolonged distress comes of it.

The trouble is, that they are treating the symptoms, the external evidences of a disturbance within, and not the cause, the cause which is the source of the immediate discomfort by druging with narcotics and preparations which depend for temporary efficacy upon a narcotic influence and are doing nothing to get at the fountain head of the trouble, which remains in its seat, undisturbed and unquenched. Thus it is that the treatment is kept up, week in and week out, month after month, year after year, the sufferer always seeking a cure and not realizing that what he is seeking lies in an entirely different direction. Doctors diagnose the case, question as to the symptoms and treat the symptom instead of investigating for the cause, and having discovered it, taking proper steps to remove the wrong condition which makes it possible. Patent medicines, too, are placed on the market and advertised to treat the symptoms, to relieve this and that outward manifestation of an inward abnormality, while the cause goes merrily on, causing more and more symptoms as time progresses, more work for the doctors and more sales for these so-called medicines.

Vite-Ore treats the cause, not the symptoms. It gets into the veins, courses through the vital organs, doing its good work in each, setting each to rights and by so doing removes the inward disorder itself. It is a cure and not merely a check for a time upon the outward physical manifestation of that disorder. This is one of the reasons for the absoluteness and permanency of its cures, the principal reason for the wide range of symptoms it causes to disappear. Many different symptoms and local disturbances can be attributed to one particular lesion, one fundamental lack of functional activity that is primarily alike in many separate cases, accounting for the ease with which Vite-Ore effaces such different symptoms by the perfect removal of these underlying and controlling causes.

## SAVED HER LIFE.

ONE PACKAGE ONLY NEEDED TO PROVE ITS GREAT AND WONDERFUL CURATIVE POWER.

I was taken down with a Fever a year ago, which resulted in Dropsy and Kidney Troubles, and after a time I became afflicted with Tonsillitis and Heart Trouble. My feet and limbs were so swollen I thought they would burst, there seemed to be an ulcer in my stomach, and I had no appetite whatever. I was treated by two of the best doctors in this country, but they did me no good. One of them said that I would have to go to Hot Springs and have an operation performed on my throat before I could be cured. I was in a horrible condition, and did not think I would live to see another winter. I sent for a trial package of Vite-Ore, but had small hopes of it helping me, for I thought I was beyond the reach of medicine. I began taking Vite-Ore, and after three weeks' use the swelling was disappearing and my throat was well; my heart was beating normally and the color had returned to my face, the fever had left and I had regained my appetite. After taking two packages of Vite-Ore I was in better health than I had been for the last ten years; I felt like a different woman entirely. I cannot praise Vite-Ore enough, and even though I were to write for a week I could not tell all it did for me. It has saved my life, and I tell all my friends, as well as all the doctors, who are surprised at my improvement, that Vite-Ore has cured me. I also advise those who are ailing and wish to get well to take it as I did.



I have since used it for Piles and three applications effected a cure. I have used it in my family for Colds, Fever, Cramp and Ulcers, and I find it good for all; in fact, I think it is the finest general medicine in the world. We can not do without it.

GERTRUDE JOHNSON, Abalone, Ark.

## THREW AWAY THE CANES.

I was very badly crippled from the effects of Rheumatism. As a year and seven months on two canes, used Vite-Ore, cured completely from pains, threw away the canes, and can praise Vite-Ore for a permanent cure. W. J. Brown, 212 Richmond St., Rochester, N. Y.

## CURED AFTER 25 YEARS.

I suffered from Stomach Trouble for twenty-five years and have tried a great many medicines, but nothing seemed to do me any good until I got hold of Vite-Ore. I used three packages and am cured. It has been seven months since I used the medicine and I feel no return of my old ailment. IRA M. DODGE, Perry, Ohio.

This offer will challenge the attention and consideration, and afterward the gratitude of every living person who desires better health, or who suffers pains, ills and diseases which have defied the medical world and grown worse with age. We care not for your skepticism, but ask only your investigation, and at our expense, regardless of what ills you have, by sending to us for a package. ADDRESS

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